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To the Honourable The COMMONS of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland
in PARLIAMENT assembled.

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NINETEENTH REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS
appointed by an Act of the Forty-fifth Year of the
Reign of His present Majesty, cap. 47 ; intituled,

“ An ACT to appoint Commissioners to enquire and examine
“ into the Public Expenditure, and the Conduct of Public
“ Business in the MILITARY DEPARTMENTS therein men-
“ tioned ; and to report such Observations as shall occur to
“ them for correcting or preventing any Abuses and Irregula-
“ rities, and for the better conducting and managing the
“ Business of the said Departments.”

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THE attention requisite to complete our enquiries into the conduct of Business in the Office of the Commissariat, and to prepare our Report on the same, having occupied more time than we had originally calculated on, we have been prevented, by the expiration of the Act of Parliament from which we derived our authority to enquire into the Military Departments, from making that minute investigation into the concerns of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea, and the Royal Military Asylum, which we should otherwise have thought expedient. We feel, however, the less regret at being thus prevented from more completely discharging the duty imposed on us, because the general state of the Hospital at Chelsea, in 1798, is described in the 34th Report of the Select Committee on Finance ; and because it appears, from the information which we have obtained of the manner in which the concerns of this Institution have been conducted for some years past, that considerable attention has been shewn to improve the system of management.

Our object, in such enquiry as we could make, has been to ascertain the present state of the Establishment of the Hospital, as compared with its state at the date of the Report of the Select Committee on Finance ; and to ascertain also, with precision, in what manner the Money concerns of the Hospital are now conducted. We have therefore procured the Documents requisite to communicate this information, and we have examined many of the Officers of the Establishment, and made also a personal inspection of the Hospital.

The general management of the Hospital is committed, by a Patent bearing date in the first year of His Majesty's reign, to certain of the chief Officers of State for the time being, and also to the Paymaster General of the Forces, to the Secretary at War, the Comptrollers of

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Army Accounts, and the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Hospital for the time being: These Commissioners, or any five of them, are therein required to prepare for His Majesty's approbation such Establishment for the expense of the Hospital, as they might think proper; to nominate and appoint the necessary Officers and Servants, and to regulate all matters respecting the admission of *In* and *Out*-Pensioners, the Diet and Clothing of the first description of Pensioners, and all other the financial concerns of the Hospital; but it is directed that all Orders or Warrants for the payment of money for the use of the Hospital, may be signed by three or more of the Commissioners. By some instructions which were subsequently given to these Commissioners, they are more particularly directed, amongst other matters, to inspect all Contracts for provisions and necessaries for the Hospital, and to take into consideration the whole state thereof, in regard to the Offices, Salaries, and Allowances, and all other institutions, with a view to such enlargement or reduction of the same, as they in their discretion might think proper; to fill up the Offices in the Hospital with such persons only as shall be found qualified by their services or sufferings, and not to admit any woman into an office, except the widow of a person so qualified: and the Commissioners were upon this occasion also directed to take a review of the Lands and Buildings belonging to the Hospital, either within or without the same, in order to apply them to the best advantage.

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It will be seen that the present Establishment of the Hospital, in respect of the number and description of Officers and Servants attached to it, does not vary, except in the addition of an Assistant Adjutant, in an increase of Two Clerks in the Secretary's Office, of the Magistrate, and the Establishment of Clerks in the Office of the Agent for Out-Pensioners, from that given in the Appendix to the 34th Report of the Select Committee on Finance; but that in respect of the Salaries, it considerably exceeds the

£. 4,303. 2. 6.

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former Establishment, that being four thousand three hundred and three pounds two shillings and sixpence, and the present (as fixed by His Majesty's Warrant of 16th April 1810,) ten thousand four hundred and forty-seven pounds seventeen shillings and three-pence halfpenny; the last sum however includes the pay of the Military Officers and private Soldiers of the Light Horse, viz. one thousand two hundred and seventy-eight pounds fourteen shillings, and the sum of two thousand and twenty pounds, being the amount of the Salaries of the additional Clerks in the Secretary's Office, of the Magistrate, and of the Agent of Out-Pensioners and his Clerks, and therefore the actual increase under the head of Salaries, amounts to two thousand seven hundred and eighty-six pounds and nine pence. The chief part of this great Increase, was not originally made under the authority of His Majesty's Warrants, for none had been granted previously to that alluded to (according to the information of Mr. Lynn, a very old Clerk in the Secretary's Office) since the 15th of June 1744, but was made, as the Secretary conceives, under the general authority given to the Commissioners by the Patent and Instructions before spoken of. Whatever doubt might have been entertained respecting the extent of this authority, unless the exercise of it were first expressly approved by His Majesty, the increase to the Salaries which the Commissioners had granted from time to time, was fixed by the Warrant of 16th of April 1810, which annuls and makes void all grants of Offices and Pensions whatsoever not contained in the Establishment annexed, and directs that no new charge shall be added thereto without being first communicated to the Commissioners of the Treasury for the time being. It is to be observed, however, that even at the date of the Report of the Select Committee on Finance, all such Officers and Servants of the Hospital

pital as were entitled to Houses and Apartments, received a fixed Annual Allowance, in addition to their Salaries in lieu of Furniture, which used to be supplied at the expense of the Hospital, together with a regulated allowance of Coals and Candles; and that such also of the Officers as were entitled to dine at what was termed the Governor's Table, received three shillings in lieu of diet for every day they resided in the Hospital; and it is to be further observed, that all the Officers and Servants still receive these several Allowances, in addition to the Salaries granted under the late Establishment. We ought not to omit to notice, that it appears from a Minute of the Board, dated 2d of November 1809, which we have seen, that it was in consequence of the objections made to some items in the Deputy Treasurer's Accounts, by the Auditors of Public Accounts, on the ground that they were not authorized by the Lords of the Treasury subsequently to the last Establishment of the Hospital, that the Commissioners deemed it expedient to make an application to the Treasury, to sanction the alterations which had been made from time to time.

There is a circumstance or two relating to some of the Allowances, which may be noticed, not on account of their pecuniary importance, but on account of the peculiar nature of this Charity.

We doubt, in the first place, whether there is any proper authority for the rate of Allowance of Candles, which appears by the Steward's Accounts to have been received by the Governor and Lieutenant Governor. "The Account of the Establishment," given in the Appendix to the 34th Report of the Committee on Finance, and "the Account also of the Establishment on the 1st of January 1811," which was returned to our Precept, state the Allowance to these Officers to be 200lbs. of Tallow and 100lbs. of Wax Candles each; and the Orders of the Board of the 5th December 1780, and the 26th of January 1781, to which we were referred, in justification of the Allowance of an additional 100lbs. of Tallow Candles, in such instance can scarcely be construed as establishing it; for the last order seems to direct merely, that the addition of Candles given by the first order be Wax instead of Tallow. The Allowance of Coals and Candles, and that also in lieu of Furniture, should, in propriety, be receivable, we conceive, by such only of the Officers and Servants as actually occupy the Houses and Apartments allotted to them; yet we find that the Secretary and Register receives these Allowances, although he resides at Kensington, and although another person occupies his official apartment, and pays him rent for the same. The circumstance of Mr. Aust's receiving a rent from the tenant of his Apartments, was never, he believes, notified to the Board; but it appears from a Minute of the Board, dated 1st April 1805, that his residence at Kensington was to be considered the same as if he resided in the Hospital; for this Minute directs, that during his actual residence in the former place, the Allowance in lieu of Diet should be paid as if he resided at Chelsea, repealing in this respect therefore the Minute of 28th November 1796, by which this Allowance was to be paid, for every day only that the Officers should be actually resident in the Hospital. It is to be observed, that two or three other Officers of the Hospital have habitations elsewhere; but it is stated that they occupy the apartments belonging to them at the same time, and we find that they receive the Allowance of Coals and Candles, but that no one, except the Secretary, receives the Allowance in lieu of Diet, unless for the number of nights he actually sleeps in the Hospital. The Account for the Residence Money is made out by the Adjutant, from the Certificates which he receives from the Officers, who certify upon honour to the number of nights they have slept in the Hospital.

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App^x N^o 3. (C.)

In the Contingent Bills of the Secretary for the year 1810, there are charges inserted, described as Allowances for the Deductions from the Salaries of himself and of two of his Clerks, on account of the one shilling and sixpenny duty paid for the use of the Civil List. Similar charges are inserted in the Contingent Bills of this Officer, for the year 1797, published in the Appendix to the 34th Report of the Select Committee on Finance, and the deduction was expressly sanctioned and ordered to be charged in the Secretary's Contingent Bill; but when the Salaries of his Clerks were increased about six years ago, it should seem that if it was intended that the deduction from the Salaries was still to be allowed, the Board should have expressly ordered it to be done. This however is not the case, and therefore the expense of the last Establishment must be considered to be already exceeded without authority, by the amount of the sum charged in the Secretary's Contingent Bill, on account of the deductions for the use of the Civil List.

The salary of one hundred pounds per annum to the Magistrate, which makes a part of the present Establishment of the Hospital, is paid to him for attending at the Boards, which are generally held monthly, to attest the Soldiers on their examination. We find that it had been previously usual to insert a charge for this service in the Secretary's Contingent Bill; and that the amount of it, as proportioned to the number of attendances of the Magistrate, was not much under the present annual Salary; but it appears to us that this Salary might be saved to the Public, for as the Soldiers applying to be placed on the List of Pensioners, must necessarily attend before the Board, it would create, we imagine, very little additional trouble to the Secretary or his first Clerk, both of whom are stated to attend these Boards regularly, if the Oath were actually administered by one of them in the presence of the Commissioners, to whom authority might be given for the purpose in the annual Mutiny Bill.

£. 1,000.

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The Agent of the Out-Pensioners, at the date of the Report of the Select Committee on Finance, received a Salary of one thousand pounds per annum, payable out of the Poundage Fund, and an allowance of one shilling for every Pensioner on the List, except for those paid by the Collectors of Excise. Out of the Monies thus received, he paid all the expenses of his Clerks (generally three, and occasionally two others,) and his Deputies at Edinburgh and Dublin. In 1808, in consequence of the very great increase of business in his Office, arising out of the provision of the 46th of the King (which instead of a Pension of five-pence per day, which with one or two exceptions only was paid to all the Pensioners on the List, gave them various rates of Allowance, increasing one halfpenny per day from one shilling to the highest Allowance of three shillings and sixpence per day, and thereby making it requisite to prepare the necessary Receipts &c. of upwards of fifty different rates), the Commissioners were pleased to give him a Salary of seven hundred and fifty pounds per annum, abolishing at the same time the Allowance before received for the men paid at Chelsea, Edinburgh and Dublin, and permitting him to charge the expenses of Clerks, &c. to the Hospital. This arrangement has the merit, certainly, of expressly defining the situation and expense of the Department of the Agent for Out-Pensioners, which has very properly been made a part of the Establishment of the Hospital; it cannot but be noticed, however, that the Clerks employed under him are numerous, and that it should be the duty of the Board therefore to ascertain from time to time the necessity of continuing them to the same extent.

App^x N^o 7 & 8.

We have given Returns in the Appendix, in which it will be seen what persons belonging to the Establishment of the Hospital have not served in

in the Army; what number of Rooms are included in the Houses and Apartments occupied by the Officers and Servants, and the accommodations also contained in the Stables and Coach-houses allotted to the different Officers. Royal Hospital at Chelsea.

We have no observation to make respecting the first of these heads, except that, amongst the superior Officers of the Hospital, the Agent for the Out-Pensioners, the two Chaplains, the Secretary, the Steward and the Apothecary, appear not to fall within the description of those whom the Instructions, before referred to, direct shall be alone appointed to Offices in the Establishment; viz. "such as shall be found qualified by their services or sufferings" (in the Army, as we understand the expression.) This observation is more particularly applicable to Servants and inferior Officers of the Hospital; for amongst these it will be seen, that very few indeed have served in the Army.

It would be highly convenient, from the peculiar nature of this Charity, that all the situations belonging to it, the duties of which could be executed by those who have been attached to Military Service, should be filled by such description of persons alone, even if the Instructions had not been so precise. An exception, however, must be generally made in the cases of the Clerk of the Works, and of some description of Servants.

That part of the Return which shews the number of Rooms occupied by the several Officers and others on the Establishment, seems to call for no observation; but the Return shewing the quantity of Coach and Stable Accommodation allotted to some of the Officers, is deserving, we think, of some notice. We were led, from the impression received on viewing the situation of the New Infirmary, to ask the Clerk of the Works, whether the removal of the Coach-houses and Stabling, and of the Clerk of the Works Apartments, which form a part of the same range of Building, would not be beneficial to the Infirmary. It appears from Mr. Soane's Answer, that the removal would not only be attended with the most important benefits to the Hospital, but that the full advantage of the Infirmary can hardly be obtained without it. Should it be determined to remove these Buildings, with a view of benefiting the Infirmary, we suggest that much less Coach and Stable Accommodation should be provided for some of the Officers in the new situation, than is at present allotted to them.

App^x N^o 7.App^x N^o 8.App^x N^o 9.

We do not observe, from the description of the "other Employments, &c." held by some of the Officers and Servants on the Establishment, that they are incompatible with a due execution of their duties in the Hospital, except that some objection on this ground may be probably stated to the Secretary of the Hospital holding at the same time the office of Commissary General of Musters, of which Office we shall give some account at the end of this Report; and except that two or three of the Servants appear to hold two different situations in the Hospital, and to receive at the same time the allowances of Rooms, Coals, Candles, and rations of Provisions allotted to both employments.

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What has been hitherto stated is chiefly applicable to the general Establishment of the Hospital, but we have one or two remarks to make also respecting the Contingent Bills of the Secretary and Deputy Treasurer, before we notice the general expenditure of the Hospital. The circumstances of the sums charged in the Contingent Bill of the Secretary for Coals and Candles, not being specially authorized by any Minute of the Board, and of a fixed sum being charged also for these and other articles in the Contingent Bill of the Deputy Treasurer, although it is admitted that there is no previous authority for the amount, and of the sums charged

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for Coals in the two Bills being nearly the same, although there are more than double the number of fires kept in one Office than in the other, call for the attention of the Board, more particularly to the subject of the Items in these Bills, than seems to have been generally the case. It will probably be thought expedient that the Officers should certify to these Bills on honour, that the sums charged in the several Items have been fairly expended for the public service of the Hospital, and that no part of the articles procured, or of the expense incurred, has, to the belief of the Officer certifying, been applied to his own or any other person's private advantage. We have made these and other similar remarks, not under an impression that the amount of the whole of the questionable charges can be of any moment, compared with the total of the expense of the Hospital, but that all cause for jealousy and suspicion, which we have reason to believe has been entertained, may be entirely removed in respect of the conduct of an Institution, the professed object of which is Charity to those who have acquired a claim to it by their employment in the Public Service. One Item in these Bills is now discontinued in both the Offices alluded to, viz. that for Newspapers.

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£. 29,045. 8. 7 $\frac{1}{4}$. We have given in the Appendix an Account of the Expenditure of the Hospital for the years 1797, 1803, and 1810; and in the Abstract at the end of this Account, the Increase and Decrease which have taken place in this expenditure since the first of those years, and the heads also under which either has occurred, are particularly stated. The expenditure in the first of these years, was twenty-nine thousand and forty-five pounds eight shillings and seven-pence farthing, and in the last, forty thousand
£. 40,778. 11. $\frac{3}{4}$. seven hundred and seventy-eight pounds eleven shillings and three farthings, and therefore the total amount of the Increase is eleven thousand
£. 11,733. 2. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$. seven hundred and thirty-three pounds two shillings and five-pence half-penny. This appears to arise chiefly from the increase to the Salaries, &c. of the Officers, which have been already noticed, from Provisions, and from the Payments made to Artificers and Tradesmen for repairs of Buildings, and for Clothing.

£. 5,000.

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App^x N^o 9.

£. 3,000.

We have not had much opportunity of considering any of this expenditure very minutely, but some observations have occurred to us, respecting parts of it, which we shall now proceed to state. We shall premise, with respect to the amount of the Tradesmen's and Artificers Bills for the year 1810, which exceeds by more than five thousand pounds the similar Bills for the two other years, included in the document in the Appendix, that (as is mentioned in a note to the Abstract, and as is stated by the Clerk of the Works in his Evidence) the Repairs of the Hospital had been much neglected for many preceding years; a circumstance which not only made this expense necessary in 1810, but which is still causing, as we learn from Mr. Soane, a considerable expense under the same heads in the present year. The increase on the article of Provisions beyond the charge in the year 1797, exceeds three thousand pounds. The well-known general increase in the price of all articles of consumption, may be deemed probably a sufficient explanation of the difference. We were led, however, in our consideration of this head of Expenditure, to enquire into the mode of procuring the supply, and into the sufficiency of the checks on the quantities charged to be delivered. Much of the information we obtained was by examination at the Hospital of the Minutes of the Board, by actual observation, and by a direct communication with some of the Officers belonging to the kitchen. It appears that from the first establishment of the Hospital, it has been the practice to procure the principal articles of Provision under one Agreement, and Meat, Bread, Cheese, Butter, Pease, Salt, and some smaller articles, are so procured at this time. The Contractor engages

engages to supply the daily Hospital ration, exclusively of Beer, at a certain price per man per day. The Contract is renewed every year, but we do not find that a competition of offers to furnish the supply has been generally excited, for we learn that the supply has remained in the same hands for many years, and that the Steward does not recollect the employment of more than two parties for upwards of twenty-five years past; a small advance on the price of the Ration however having been required by the old Contractors in December 1811, the Board advertised for tenders. Three were in consequence made; but that of the former Contractors at twelve pence three farthings per Ration, being twelve or fifteen per cent. under the others, the Board very properly continued the supply in the same hands. So far as we can judge, the price now paid for the Ration is moderate; but there are some circumstances attending the Agreement, which render it very difficult for us to form any accurate calculation on the subject.

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The Ration consists, according to the established usage of the Hospital; of

1lb. of Bread and }
1 pint of Broth - } per day.

18 ounces of Meat (raw) five days in the week.

$\frac{1}{4}$ lb. of Cheese per day.

1 ounce of Butter and $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. of Cheese extra on the two days in the week in which Meat is not served.

The Contractor is paid according to the number of such Rations delivered, but engaging for that price to supply also six bushels three pecks of Pease, eight bushels of Oatmeal, seven bushels of Salt, monthly. The Meat, agreeably to the terms of the Contract, is to be equal to the best in the London markets, and to be delivered, the Beef by the side, and the Mutton by the whole Sheep. We were informed that the Meat has been generally of the best quality. The Bread, according to the form of the Contract, which seems to have been that originally adopted, is to be "Wheaten Bread, the great Bran only being taken out, but no Flour, and "to be made into Loaves weighing each fifteen ounces Troy Weight, when "taken out of the oven." The intricacy in the calculation of a part of the supply to which we have alluded, is chiefly occasioned by the circumstances attending this supply of Bread.

It is provided by the Agreement, in the first place, that the Bread shall be baked in the Hospital, for which purpose proper Bakehouses, Store-rooms, and accommodations for the Baker and his Servants, are appropriated, free of rent or expense of any kind for repairs, or for the delivery of the Bread. And it is provided, in the second place, that the Contractor shall receive, over and above the price agreed on for the Rations, an allowance on the quantity of Bread delivered, equal to the difference between nine-pence three farthings, and the Assize-price of the Quartern Loaf of Wheaten Bread, as set weekly by the Lord Mayor; and it is provided; lastly, for the purpose, as it seems, of the more easy making the requisite calculation of this difference, that the Ration Loaf, which by the Contract is to weigh fifteen ounces Troy, shall be taken as sixteen ounces or one pound Avoirdupois. The first and last of these articles of the Agreement affect the real cost of the supply, as far as concerns the Contractor, in a way which we cannot easily ascertain; but the second is the most important, and we doubt whether its operation was sufficiently understood by all the parties who made tenders in December last. The Bread supplied to the Hospital is certainly made, as we observed, of the Flour of Wheat, and is therefore *Wheaten Bread*, but it is not Wheaten Bread in the sense of the Acts of Parliament, by which the Assize of Bread is regulated; and although

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it is good Brown Bread, yet we were unable to ascertain whether it was that description of bread called "Household Bread," which under the 31 Geo. II. c. 29. was the only Bread, except Wheaten, allowed to be made for sale previously to 13 Geo. III. and which was to be sold at three-fourths of the price of "Wheaten;" or "Standard Wheaten Bread," which under the last Act is allowed to be made, and sold at seven-eighths of the price of Wheaten. Antecedently therefore to the 13 Geo. III. this Hospital Bread could not have been legally sold at a higher price than three-fourths of the price of Wheaten Bread. As we found that the conditions of the Agreement, under which the Bread is supplied to the Hospital, have never varied, we presume that it is still made of Flour, from which the great Bran only is taken, and that it is consequently "Household Bread," in the old sense of the word; but according to the terms of the Agreement made with the Contractor, he is paid for this Bread the full Assize-price of Wheaten Bread, and receives therefore considerably more than its actual cost to him, in addition to the advantages of carrying on the manufacture, &c. in premises belonging to the Hospital. It may be said, that these or any similar advantages will be readily estimated by those who make tenders for the supply. This would doubtless be the case, if the circumstances were generally understood; but unless they are so understood, there can be no real competition of Offers; and it must at all events be very difficult for the Board and Hospital Officers to judge correctly of the reasonableness of the terms on which the Hospital is served.

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The Contractor engages, under his present Agreement, as we have said, to deliver seven bushels of Salt per month, but it is provided that he shall receive an extra price equal to any duty which has been or may be laid on Salt, subsequently to a period named in the Contract, and which now amount to eleven pounds per ton.

On a general consideration of the mode in which the provisions are procured for the Hospital, it seems to us, that it is not calculated to obtain them on the most advantageous terms; because its natural tendency is to throw the Contract into the hands of those who do not themselves deal in the articles supplied, and who must consequently make Sub-contracts with others for the actual supply. We think that the supply might be conveniently and advantageously divided into three Contracts; viz. one for Meat, another for Bread, and a third for the smaller articles of Butter, Cheese, Pease, Salt, &c. We recommend, if this course be adopted, that the Bread continue to be made of the same quality as is now in use, and that it be allowed to be baked, as at present, in the Hospital; but that the biddings should be in abatement of the Assize-price of Household Bread, in proportion to the number of pounds delivered, and that the weight of the Loaf be sixteen ounces Avoirdupois, instead of fifteen ounces Troy. We do not apprehend that this change would occasion much, if any additional trouble; for although there would be three accounts to be checked instead of one, yet the calculations would rather be simplified, and the deliveries, which are now necessarily made by different tradesmen, would not be further sub-divided. We suggest further, that the most eligible mode of Contract for all the articles, would be by weight, the supply being sent in daily on requisitions, in the mode now practised, and which will be presently described; but if it were considered that there were any convenience in continuing the mode of supply by Rations, it does not occur to us that it would occasion any difficulty, notwithstanding that the component parts of the Ration were contracted for by three several Parties.

The Supply is sent in daily, on the requisition of the Steward, which is regulated by the number of Pensioners on Hospital diet (those on the
Matron's

Matron's diet being differently supplied). The mode of checking the weight of the Meat, as regulated by the number of Rations, is simple and satisfactory. A printed Table shows what weight ought to be delivered for the full Establishment of Pensioners, and a weight to this amount is placed in the scale, and on reference to the Table, the Officer superintending the delivery, finds what number of Pounds is to be taken out, according to the number short of the Establishment. This being done, the Meat must balance the remaining weight. The deductions for the numbers short of the Establishment, are calculated differently for Mutton and for Beef, and to allow for the greater proportion of bone in the former, and the proportion for draft or good weight is also allowed for in the calculation.

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This mode of receiving the Meat, seems to be as little liable to error as any that can we believe be devised. We do not possess equal information respecting the deliveries of the other Articles, and the mode in which the weight of the Butter, Cheese, &c. as depending on the number of Pensioners victualled, is ascertained; but we conceive, if the Pensioners are made acquainted with their rights, and reasonable attention be given to their complaints, that no material deficiency will pass unnoticed in the delivery of such Articles as can be readily measured or weighed. Each Pensioner receives, in addition to the Ration before stated, a daily Allowance of a pint of Soup or Broth made with the liquor of the boiled Meat, thickened with Pease supplied under the Contract as before mentioned, and seasoned with onions and pot-herbs furnished from the Hospital Garden.

It will be doubted, probably, whether this weekly supply, consisting of seven pounds of Bread, of five pounds ten ounces of Meat, of seven pints of Broth, of two pounds and a quarter of Cheese, of two ounces of Butter, and gallons of Beer, is not altogether greater than old infirm men doing little work, and taking little exercise, can reasonably require or consume. This will be found, we believe, to be often the case; perhaps it was intended to give some small advantage to these Pensioners, for they are not allowed, as those of Greenwich Hospital are, under certain regulations, to commute their Rations with the Hospital for money; and not being required to eat their Provisions in the Hall where they are delivered and divided, the Pensioners take them away to their Wards, or out of the Hospital, and share them with their families, and sometimes probably dispose of them. As this indulgence cannot but contribute very much to the comfort of the Pensioners, we do not desire to see it abridged. Yet it is impossible not to notice the inconvenience which results from the introduction of so much hot meat, and the re-cooking of a great proportion of it in the several Wards, where each man has a separate birth, and generally eats or stores his ration of Provisions. We observed that the Meat, both boiled and roasted, is designedly under-dressed in the public kitchen, and with a view to this practice of re-dressing it at the Ward fires. But these Wards are ill calculated for such a purpose, as there is no proper ventilation of them, and the Pensioners are not easily induced to keep open the windows, in order to admit a circulation of fresh air. In every other respect, we observed that the state of the Wards was very creditable to those who had the superintendence of this department of the Hospital.

We cannot dismiss the subject of Provisions furnished to the Pensioners, without observing, that the specimens of the Beer produced to us were of very inferior quality, and formed a very marked exception to the general character of the other articles supplied.

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£. 1,100.

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There appears to be a very considerable increase also in the expenditure under the head of Stationery, on a comparison of the year 1810 with the years 1797 and 1803, for that of the former exceeds the highest of the latter by upwards of eleven hundred pounds. This expenditure is now put on a different footing from that on which it was heretofore conducted, and therefore, notwithstanding the known increased price in the articles of Stationery, and its increased consumption, in consequence of the general increase of the business of the Hospital, and especially of that which arises out of the provisions of Mr. Windham's Act, giving different rates of Pay to the Pensioners, it may be expected that the expenditure for Stationery will be reduced in future. The regulation to which we have alluded, which was established by an Order of the Board of 7th February 1811, directs that all applications for Stationery, the use of which is to be confined to public duties, be transmitted to the Secretary, who is to give an order on the Stationery Office, from which the articles are now obtained, for the supply. The purpose of transmitting these applications to the Secretary, is stated by his Chief Clerk to be, that he may see that the requisitions are moderate in themselves, and that no improper article is asked for, it being his duty to report the same to the Board in either case for their direction and decision. Previously to the adoption of this regulation, the different Officers entitled to Stationery, used to obtain it from a private Stationer employed by the Hospital, on their own requisition; and Mr. Lynn does not believe that there was any check on the quantity or description of the articles procured. At present, indeed, the requisitions of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor for Stationery, do not pass through the Secretary's Office, for they give their own orders for Stationery. But by a Minute of so late date as the 6th of February last, it was ordered that these Officers, as well as all other Officers receiving Stationery, shall sign the Quarterly Bills for the same. We shall only add to the information already given on this head, that we collect from the Minutes of the Board of the dates of 7th February 1811, and 7th of the following month, relating to the extraordinary quantity of Stationery charged to have been delivered to the Office of the Agent of Out-Pensioners, and to the want of a proper check on the deliveries in that Office, as being correspondent to the demands, that the Board are attentive to enforce a due economy in this expenditure; without therefore ascribing any material defect in the present system, we wish to suggest, that it would be found probably still further to advance the object of the Board, if the whole of the Stationery required for the use of the Officers of the Hospital, were originally issued from the Stationery Office to the Secretary, on the Board's requisition, and were afterwards issued to the several Officers on their demands transmitted to the Secretary. In this case it would be requisite that the Board should be furnished with a Quarterly Account from the Secretary, shewing the quantities received, and in what manner disposed of, and the balances of all kinds remaining in his hands.

App^x N^o 10.

Although the amounts of the Apothecary's Bills for the three years, noted in the Paper in the Appendix, vary but little, yet we deem it necessary to make some remarks on a few of the Items in two or three of the half-yearly Bills of late date. We are obliged to confine our Observations to what occurred on an inspection of these Bills, for we were precluded from an examination of the Apothecary himself, or of any one concerned in directing the delivery of the Articles, or in controlling the prices charged for them, by the cessation of our authority as Commissioners of Military Enquiry, as has been already noticed. We must premise, that the present Apothecary of the Hospital was appointed by Letters Patent of his late Majesty George the Second, dated May 18th, in the twentieth year

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year of his reign, in reversion of another Grant of the Office to Mr. Graham's father, bearing date the 14th of November 1739, and that the present holder of the Office is not an Apothecary by profession. There is no Salary given to the Apothecary by the Patent, but he appears to have a Salary of fifty pounds per annum under the Establishment of the Hospital, together with Apartments, and regulated Allowances of Coals and Candles, and in lieu of Diet at the Governor's Table, and of Furniture. His chief advantages from the situation, appear to arise from the Bills which he makes for the Medicines supplied. It has been suggested to us by persons acquainted with the mode in which Apothecaries usually charge for Medicines, that the prices in the Bills submitted to our inspection, are generally as high, and in some of the items higher than would be charged to persons in independent situations in life by professional Apothecaries. We doubt whether such prices should be charged for Medicines supplied to the Pensioners of the Hospital, especially when it is considered that the phials, &c. containing the Medicines, are as we presume returned; that the Apothecary is at no expense of warehouse-room, &c. and that his personal advice or attendance on the Sick, cannot under the circumstance be taken into the account. It appeared on this inspection also, that Medicines are often supplied in considerable quantities to the families of the Officers of the Hospital, as well as to the Officers themselves; and that many Articles, not coming strictly within the description of Medicine, are also supplied to them, and for which very high prices are charged. We have alluded to some of the items and prices charged in these Bills more particularly, because it is not to be collected from the language of the Certificate of the Physician of the Hospital, whose duty it is to examine the Bills, viz. "the charges are as usual," that he has required the production of the Prescriptions or other orders for the Medicines, &c. to justify the delivery of the Articles, or that he has enquired, whether the prices charged are such as, under the peculiar circumstances of the supply at Chelsea Hospital, are fair and reasonable. Under the impression we have on the subject of this Supply, we think that the Board ought to be satisfied, that the Officer whose duty it is to examine these Bills, has obtained the requisite Documents to shew that the Articles charged were properly authorized, and that the prices, taking all circumstances into consideration, were reasonable: it should be his duty also to call the attention of the Board to any Articles which do not come properly under the description of Medicines, or which are not distinctly ordered for the individuals who are stated to have received them by some Medical Officer of the Hospital. We recommend further, that no fresh grant be made of the office of Apothecary to the Hospital, but that a competent Medical Person, who has served in the Army in the capacity of a Surgeon or of Apothecary to the Forces, be appointed to the situation by a Commission, like the other Officers of the Hospital, and that he have a Salary not exceeding three hundred pounds per annum, together with the allowances of Apartments, Coals, &c. enjoyed by the present Apothecary; but that the Medicines be procured on account, and at the charge of the Hospital, in a wholesale way, from Apothecaries Hall, or elsewhere, as may be judged most convenient. Our object is to place the situation of the Apothecary to Chelsea Hospital, and the supply of Medicines, exactly on the same footing as is established in the great Hospitals in and about London; and as this may be easily learned, we forbear to enter into further detail in this place; but we believe, if the plan which we have recommended were adopted, that above half of the expense of the Apothecary's Department in the Chelsea Hospital might be saved, and that it would probably be found also, that the appointment of one of the Assistant Surgeons of the Hospital might be discontinued.

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The charge under the head of "Gardener for keeping the Garden in order," for the year 1810, exceeds, by about one-fourth, the charges on the same account in the two former years. On the appointment of the present Gardener at Midsummer 1808, it was directed by the Board, that an experiment should be made under the superintendence of the Clerk of the Works, to ascertain the exact expense of keeping the Garden in order, with a view to fix a limit to that expense in future; and the instructions which the Gardener subsequently received, have fixed that expense not to exceed three hundred pounds per annum. This Money is not however issued to the Gardener, or to be expended at his discretion, for he is required to state to the Clerk of the Works, in writing, the quantities and description of the Seeds, Implements, &c. which he may occasionally want, previously to an Order being obtained for procuring them; and he delivers to the Clerk of the Works weekly, a daily account of the Labourers he has employed. The Gardener's Quarterly Account is also delivered to the Clerk of the Works, who states, that he examines it by the weekly Bills and the Orders for the supply before mentioned. This proceeding seems to be sufficiently regular, except that the Gardener is not required to deliver with his Account the Bills of the Tradesmen of whom he has procured the different Articles, and that the Labourers do not sign to any Account for the Wages that he charges to have paid to them. It must be added, however, that the Clerk of the Works states, that he ascertains the Prices charged for the Articles by enquiry, and that he judges of the propriety of the quantities by the experiment alluded to. The Gardener has a Salary under the Establishment of the Hospital, and different Allowances, as a remuneration for his services.

The Produce of the Garden (the cultivation part of which is about three acres) is applied in different ways. By a Regulation of the Board, the Gardener is to furnish fixed quantities, of two or three species of Vegetables, to the public kitchen daily; and he is to supply also certain Officers, enumerated in his Instructions, during the time they shall actually reside in their respective Apartments, with a due proportion of the Produce in season. He has in consequence distributed, as he states, what is gathered in a morning, in proportion to the Families of the Officers, and delivers it to their Servants who attend, but without further enquiry as to their being resident. He was very properly advised, on his first appointment, to keep an account of these deliveries. We have seen the Book in which this account is kept, and we think that the apparent accuracy and fidelity of it, as well as the neatness and order observable in the Garden-walks and courts, which are also under the care of the Gardener, are all very creditable to him and to the Clerk of the Works, who has the general superintendence of the whole. We learned, however, that this Book is never called for by the Board, as we think it ought to be periodically; for, on an inspection of it by the Members, it might perhaps occur, that since the abolition of the Governor's Table, and the Allowance made to the Officers entitled to dine at it, in lieu of that privilege, the chief consideration in cultivating the Garden, should be to produce Vegetables for the Pensioners and Sick Men. It does not appear indeed but that the Gardener has been enabled hitherto to furnish the quantities fixed by the Regulation alluded to, to be sent to the public kitchen, as well as to send the Matron, for the use of the Sick, such Vegetables as she has required; but the two or three Articles sent to the public kitchen, are merely for the seasoning of the Broth, for the Pensioners derive no other assistance from the Garden, except when there is a superfluity of any Article. But whether it might be advisable or not, to make any alteration in the Pensioners Ration, by substituting occasionally,

in lieu of a part of it, a portion of Vegetables raised in the Garden, we cannot but suggest, that if the site of the Garden were wanted for any other purpose, some saving of expense might probably be made, by purchasing under a contract the species of Vegetables now furnished to the public kitchen, and by making some small addition to the Officers Allowance, in lieu of the Governor's Table, for every night they sleep in the Hospital, in consideration of their loss of Vegetables and Fruit.

The Governor's Garden also is cultivated at the expense of the Hospital Funds. The same Gardener used to have the care of both Gardens, but the Governor of late years has appointed his own Gardener, and has been allowed a fixed sum, for the sole purpose of keeping his Garden in order. This, by a Minute of the 4th of May 1807, was fixed at seventy pounds per annum; but the Governor having represented to the Board on the 18th of July 1808, that that sum had been found inadequate to the expense, for that it had amounted to one hundred pounds, it was on that day ordered that he be allowed one hundred pounds for the purpose. Another representation, however, having been made by the Governor to a Board, that the actual expense of his Garden, including ten pounds for making his Hay in the northern court of the Hospital (for this expense is charged also to the Hospital) had amounted to one hundred and thirty seven pounds thirteen shillings and sixpence; it was ordered, on the 2d of November 1808, that the Governor be allowed annually one hundred and thirty-seven pounds thirteen shillings and sixpence, commencing from Midsummer 1807. We have noticed this last expense, in order that the attention of the Board might be called to the consideration, whether the whole of it ought in propriety to fall on the Funds of the Hospital.

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It is with the same intention that we notice, that in addition to the allowance of Candles made to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, and some of the other Officers of the Hospital, we have found from the Lamp-lighter's Bill, that the Expense of lighting the Lamps in their houses and apartments, is thrown on the Public.

It appears by a Minute of the Board of the 21st of June 1793, that all Poundages, Perquisites and Allowances, which the Clerk of the Works used to receive, were directed to be discontinued, and that he was to be paid two hundred pounds per annum in lieu thereof; and it is stated by the present Clerk of the Works, Mr. Soane, that he has in fact derived no advantage from his situation beyond his present Salary of two hundred and twenty pounds per annum, and the allowances of Coals, Candles and Vegetables, and those in lieu of Furniture, and of what is called the Governor's Table, allotted to his Office. We learned from him also the nature of his duties, and in what mode they were executed. We have no observation to make on either, except that there ought, we think, to be a regulation that the Clerk of the Works, accompanied by some of the superior Officers of the Hospital, should make a regular survey of the Houses, Apartments and Buildings belonging to the Hospital, both internally and externally, at fixed periods, and should report on the state of the same to the Board. Had this course been observed during the time the Predecessor of Mr. Soane was in office, it is probable that the Buildings would not have been found in the dilapidated state described by him.

£. 200.

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£. 220.

The Tradesmen and Artificers employed in the Works of the Hospital, are appointed by the Paymaster General, and the Clerk of the Works takes no part in recommending them. He states it however to be a part of his duty, to represent to the Board any insufficiency or impropriety of conduct in them; adding, at the same time, that he has felt much inconvenience in

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not being allowed, in cases of delay or neglect, to call in other Tradesmen to assist and to stimulate. But the chief inconvenience, and the greatest loss from this obligation which the Clerk of the Works has felt himself to be under, will be found probably in the erection of the new Infirmary. It occurred to us, that in this distinct Work, the Board would have felt the propriety, after the Plan had been determined on, and an Estimate of the probable Expense made, of exciting a competition of offers for executing the Work. And the Clerk of the Works states, that had he considered himself at liberty, he should have adopted such a course, as being in his opinion undoubtedly the most economical proceeding. He does not appear indeed to have expressly represented his opinion on this head to the Board; but, having with a view of ascertaining the probable expense of this detached Work, applied to the several Hospital Tradesmen for their prices for executing the Works then in contemplation, and those appearing to be higher than they ought to have been, and exceeding what he had been accustomed to allow, either in public or private Works; and having then procured from other Tradesmen of the most respectable class, their prices for executing such Works as had been described to the former Tradesmen, but without informing them where the Works were to be performed, and their prices being considerably less than those named by the Hospital Tradesmen;—the Clerk of the Works stated these circumstances to the Board, but the result was, that he was directed to proceed with the Hospital Tradesmen. This Building, the Estimate of executing only a part of which, is calculated at between twenty and thirty thousand pounds, is not yet completed; and the eleven or twelve thousand pounds hitherto paid to the Tradesmen, has been advanced on account only, and it is not yet settled at what rate they are to be finally paid for their work; but the Clerk of the Works states, that he shall consider himself justified to the Public and to the individual, in affixing such prices to the work as he could have had it done for in the manner it is executed; and in such a course, it is to be expected that he will be supported by the Board.

It is to be observed, that the Clerk of the Works is to have an addition to his Salary of one hundred pounds per annum, whilst this work is going on, which he believes is intended by the Board to cover all his expenses of measuring it; but he states that this additional Salary will not pay such expense, and that there will be nothing remaining from it to remunerate him for his extra trouble.

The impression which we received from an inspection of this new Infirmary, would have induced us to go into an enquiry as to the expediency of any erection of the kind, or at least of a magnitude sufficient to contain nearly one-fourth of the whole number of In-Pensioners; and especially, as to the propriety of choosing the present situation for this Infirmary, at the time that the whole space of ground between Paradise Row and the River, belonged, as we understand, to the Public; but we found that the whole of this subject had been already sufficiently before the Public, in the Papers printed by order of the House of Commons, and therefore we forbore to execute what we should otherwise have considered to be our duty, and shall merely again suggest the propriety of improving the immediate vicinity of the Infirmary, by the removal of the Stables and Coach-houses appropriated to certain Officers of the Hospital.

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We have had no opportunity of enquiring into any other particulars of the expenditure of the Hospital, and therefore shall merely add, in this branch of our Report, from the Statement of the Secretary, that the Bills are examined and certified in the first instance by the Comptroller and the Steward of the Hospital, or other Officers to whose Departments they belong;

belong; that they are afterwards particularly examined by the Board, previously to their signing the Warrants for payment: but that there are various small payments made in the course of the half-year, as we learn from the Deputy Treasurer, which are paid without the previous authority of the Board, but which are included by the Comptroller in an Abstract at the end of the half-year, when Warrants are obtained to justify the payments. The Annual Account of the whole Expenditure, with the Vouchers, is delivered to the Paymaster General, and goes into the Audit Office as part of his Accounts.

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App^x N^o 14.

App^x N^o 15.

The mode of obtaining the Money requisite for the several purposes of this Charity, which comprizes relief to upward of twenty-four thousand Out-Pensioners, as well as the expenses of the whole Establishment at Chelsea, and a description of the Checks observed on the Issues for these purposes, are still to be stated.

The Estimate for this service, is introduced into the Estimates for "Army Services:" it is prepared in the Secretary's Office, under the direction of the Paymaster General, who by a clause in his Patent of Appointment, is constituted the Paymaster also "of all Monies appointed, deducted, or set apart for the maintenance and relief of the disabled and superannuated Non-commissioned Officers and Soldiers entertained within the Royal Hospital at Chelsea, or belonging thereto." We learn from the Secretary, that these Estimates are not laid before the Board of Commissioners, unless it should be judged necessary by the Paymaster General, on account of any doubts or difficulties that may occur; and that he has never known any instance of the Balances remaining in the hands of the Deputy Treasurer (to whom all the Money for the service of this Charity is issued by the Paymaster) being stated in the Estimates. We think that this omission is a defect in the system of Management, for had information been regularly given of the large Balances, which, by the Paper in the Appendix, appear to have remained in the hands of the Deputy Treasurer, or at his disposal, at the end of every half-year, from December 1805 to June 1811, it may be imagined that some measure would have been adopted to put this matter on a different footing. We learn, indeed, as well from the Statement at the foot of this Paper, as from the Examination of Lieutenant Colonel Wilson, that with the exception of a Sum, varying from fifteen hundred to three hundred pounds, which he has reserved in his own hands to answer the current payments of the House, these Balances, from about June or July 1805 (at which time we required an Account of the Balance in his hands), had been kept in the Bank of England. But it was not until December 1808, that the Board interfered, and directed that the Money reserved in the Deputy Treasurer's hands, for the purposes mentioned, should be limited to three hundred pounds, and no means have even hitherto been adopted to establish a regular check and controul over the Balances continually accumulating on his Account, or to apply them as they arise under a proper authority. They arise, Colonel Wilson states, from the deduction of one shilling in the pound, which, under the Provisions of the 28 Geo. II. ch. 1. intituled, "An Act for the relief of the Out-Pensioners of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea," is made by the Deputy Treasurer from all Monies issued for the service of the Out-Pensioners, and which is to be applied in the manner which His Majesty, under his Royal Sign Manual, shall direct. Very few charges, however, have been laid on this Fund by such authority originally, but the Board of Commissioners, it appears, have applied it, in furtherance of the objects of the Institution, and in some cases to the increase of Salaries, &c. as they have thought fit, and have afterwards occasionally procured these Warrants to sanction their proceedings. The Minutes of the Board, dated 2d

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November 1809, 3d April 1811, and 1st May 1811, and many others, shew what has been the practice in this respect; for it appears by the two former, that the Auditors of Public Accounts having objected to some items of payments in the Deputy Treasurer's Accounts, as not having been authorized by the Lords of the Treasury, since the last Establishment of the Hospital, were subsequently authorized to allow the same, and by the last Minute, that the Board directed that an application be made to the Treasury for a Warrant for the whole sum, which had been applied by the Deputy Treasurer out of the Poundage Fund, and not before authorized, and that a similar application be made to the Treasury every year in future. But in general, we may observe, that the existence, or the amount of this Fund, has not been brought regularly under the notice of Parliament, or of the Lords of the Treasury, or even of the Chelsea Hospital Board, for it is only when required by the Board, that the Deputy Treasurer renders any account of the state of this Fund. Having therefore learned, that since the Salaries of the Agent of Out-Pensioners and of his Clerks, and of the Deputy Treasurer, were put on the general Establishment of the Hospital, the only charges remaining on this Fund, were some Annuities payable to individuals of the late first and second troops of Horse Guards, amounting, in the present year, to less than eight hundred pounds, and two or three other small payments; we were induced to enquire both of the Secretary and Deputy Treasurer, whether any inconvenience would arise, if this Poundage Fund were entirely discontinued. We infer from their answers, that the only inconvenience of the measure, which can be properly stated as such, would be, that no Funds would exist to resort to, for the unforeseen services of the Hospital; for, with respect to another ground of objection taken, it is clear that the same Act of Parliament which repealed the Provisions of the 28th of His late Majesty, might at the same time direct in what manner such Fund, if still to be continued, should be immediately applicable, or that five pounds per cent. being always deducted from the Out-Pension Estimate, the residue only should be the sum provided for by Parliament. With respect to that which can alone affect the present system of Management, viz. "the want of a Fund for unforeseen services," we are not aware that any services can arise in the conduct of the In-Pension branch, which might not wait the usual delay of being submitted to the consideration of Parliament, previously to any expense being incurred; and with respect to the advance occasionally necessary to Out-Pensioners admitted between the periods of Estimate, we apprehend that the growing Balance arising from unclaimed Pensions, which we shall presently notice, will always leave a Fund sufficient for the purpose. The reason for this suggestion will be deemed the stronger, probably, from the view which we shall give of the actual state of this Fund, brought down to the 24th of December 1811. The first of these Papers shews, that between 25th December 1800, and 24th December 1810, the total amount of the Poundage was one hundred and twenty-two thousand three hundred and seventy-seven pounds six shillings, of which it is stated, that forty thousand four hundred and sixty-eight pounds fourteen shillings had been granted by different Warrants of His Majesty, and that sixty-one thousand two hundred and twenty-six pounds and five-pence had been granted by another Warrant, leaving therefore a balance on this Account, of about twenty-one thousand pounds in the Deputy Treasurer's hands. In the next year's Accounts, the Poundage deducted from the Issues for the Out-Pension, amounted to eighteen thousand and fifty-three pounds three shillings and seven-pence, out of which, eight thousand six hundred and thirty-nine pounds five shillings only has been paid: six thousand nine hundred and sixty-five pounds, part of it, being by an order of the Board applied towards the building

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App^x N^o 17.

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building of the new Infirmary, and only twenty-five pounds covered by a Warrant; consequently the balance in the Deputy Treasurer's Account at the end of the year 1811, was near thirty thousand pounds; and as the amount of the Poundage on the Money voted for the year 1812, exceeds the sum of twenty thousand pounds brought forward in aid of the Estimate, the balance in hand must still be more than thirty thousand pounds. The irregularity, too, with which a part of this Fund has been occasionally used, in diminution of the Estimate, may be stated as another ground for simplifying this branch of the public Service.

It appears from the printed Army Estimates, that although in the year 1807, the amount of the Poundage exceeded seventeen thousand pounds, only four thousand pounds was taken from it, in aid of the Estimate for that year; and although in the three succeeding years the whole exact amount of the Poundage was deducted from the Estimate, yet that in the present year a Sum less than the Poundage by about two thousand pounds, is taken to be so applied. Should it, however, be deemed expedient to continue to make this Deduction on the Monies issued by the Deputy Treasurer for the service of the Out-Pension, we still recommend that the actual state of this Fund be regularly laid before the Board every Quarter, and be afterwards transmitted to the Lords of the Treasury, and be annually laid before the House of Commons; and that no Payments be made from it, unless previously sanctioned by the Lords of the Treasury.

There is another Fund also, which has been occasionally applied in aid of the Chelsea Hospital Estimate, of which therefore it is necessary to give some account in this place. This Fund arises from the unclaimed and unpaid Prize Money, and balances of Money divisible amongst the Officers and Soldiers engaged in making any Captures, which, under different Provisions in the Acts of the 45th, 49th and 51st of His present Majesty, are directed to be paid over to the Deputy Treasurer, and to be under the management of the Commissioners, to give Remunerations to the Officers and others employed in carrying the Regulations into effect, and under this Authority they have given two hundred pounds per annum to the Deputy Treasurer, and sanctioned the employment of two permanent Clerks, and of two occasional Clerks in this service. The Prize Money received by the Deputy Treasurer, is subject to be refunded to the persons legally entitled, if claimed within six years after it is received; and it seems to have been understood, that he was to retain the Money until it was ascertained that no claim would be made upon it; the Balance however has been always kept at the Bank, in a separate Account, and has been occasionally applied in aid of the Out-Pension Estimate, as in the years 1810 and 1811, to the amount of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds; and it may be inferred from the 4th section of the 51st of His Majesty, ch. 104. that a part of the Balance was invested in Government Securities, in the name of the Deputy Treasurer; but it was by that Statute first directed, that the Commissioners might invest this money in the Public Funds, or other Government Securities, in the name of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Deputy Treasurer, and that the interest of the same might be applied from time to time to the general services of the Hospital. As the same Statute directs that the Deputy Treasurer shall annually lay before both Houses of Parliament, an Account, according to a form prescribed, of the Receipts, Payments, and Balance of this Fund, made up to the 24th of December in each year; and as we learn from him, that he renders a similar Account to the Board every Quarter. we have no other observation to make on this head of our investigation, than that we collect, from an inspection of the Deputy Treasurer's Accounts of this Fund, that a loss of between three and four thousand pounds accrued

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£. 30,000.

Army Estimates

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£. 20,000.

£. 30,000.

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by the sale of Stock, when the monies before mentioned were applied in aid of the Estimates; and therefore, as the investments directed by the Statute, cannot be considered of a permanent nature, it would be more advisable to invest the Prize Money in Exchequer Bills than in the Public Funds, as has been hitherto the practice. The General Estimate for Chelsea Hospital has also been sometimes aided, by a deduction on account of Out-Pension unclaimed, remaining in the hands of the Agent for the Out-Pensioners.

The immediate object of the 28th Geo. II. which directs the appointment of an Agent, is to provide the means of regularly paying the Out-Pensioners half-yearly in advance, for which purpose it further directs, that the Commissioners shall cause to be made up, on the last day of every half-year, an exact List of the number of Out-Pensioners borne on the Out-Pension, who have personally appeared, or have been certified to be living during any part of the half-year then expiring, and shall thereupon issue a Warrant on the Treasurer of the Hospital for the full amount of such Out-Pensions.

App^x N^o 18.

£. 5,000.

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The same Statute directs, that one shilling in the pound shall be deducted out of all monies ordered to be issued for the Out-Pension, which we have already noticed as producing considerable Balances in the Deputy Treasurer's Accounts. Notwithstanding, however, this deduction, the Balances accruing in the Agent's hands from Pensions unclaimed, or other causes, appear, from the statement in the Appendix, to have been at all times very considerable. These were suffered to remain entirely at the Agent's disposal, until the year 1808, when the Board made an Order, that the Agent should keep his balances at the Bank of England, except to the amount of five thousand pounds, which he still is permitted to retain in his hands, for the purpose of enabling him to meet sudden and unforeseen demands. We learn from the Deputy Treasurer, who issues the money to the Agent on the Board's Warrants, that the Agent furnishes to him a Weekly Abstract, stating the Balance in hand, and what part of it is in the Bank of England; and we see in a Minute of the Board, dated 3d May 1810, that it was directed that the Agent should give an account to the Secretary, of the whole amount of this Balance, previously to the half-yearly Estimates being sent to the Pay Office, stating the amount of money which would be wanted for the ensuing half-year, and that the balance should be deducted from these Estimates. We shall therefore only observe on the present course of proceeding, that judging from the Agent's statement of the Balances remaining in his own hands, and in the Bank of England, respectively, at the end of each half-year, since the commencement of 1808, the former appear, with one exception only, to have been confined within the limit directed by the Minute of that year; and that subsequently to the Minute of May 1810, his Balance at the Bank has been greatly reduced. If the same attention therefore to the state of the Agent's Balances be continued, and only such sums be issued to him under the authority of the Commissioners, as may be really requisite for the payment of the Out-Pension, we do not feel that it would be necessary to notice in the annual Out-Pension Estimate presented to the House of Commons, the amount of the Pension unclaimed in the preceding year. But it should be understood, that this sum is very considerable in each year; for notwithstanding that the Out-Pension Estimates for the years 1807 and 1808, contain a deduction from the amount, of upwards of sixteen thousand pounds, under the head of "Pension unclaimed," yet it appears that there was in the succeeding year a Balance left in the Agent's hands of upwards of twenty-five thousand pounds.

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£. 16,000.

£. 25,000.

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The Money provided under both the Chelsea Hospital Estimates laid before Parliament, is issued from the Exchequer to the Paymaster General of the Forces, who, as we have said, is Treasurer or Paymaster of the Hospital; and it is issued by him to the Deputy Treasurer, on the requisitions of the Board of Commissioners, made through their Secretary. It has not been the regular course, as we learn both from the Secretary and Deputy Treasurer, to state, at the times that these half-yearly requisitions are applied for, the Balances in the latter Officer's hands, or at his disposal. Such a Statement, however, should even at shorter periods be regularly called for, and the Deputy Treasurer's Bank Book should also be regularly laid before the Board at the same times, and it should appear on the Minutes, that both had been inspected by the Board, and approved. We suggest further, that in addition to the statement of his Balances, which the Agent of Out-Pensioners, under the authority of the Minute of May 1810, now lays before the Board, he be directed to produce his Bank Book at the same time, and that a similar entry be made in the Minutes, of his Statement and Bank Book having been inspected and approved by the Board. It would be consistent also with the principle of establishing a check, that no Money should unnecessarily come into the hands of a public Accountant; that the Paymaster General, when he states, in his requisitions to the Lords of the Treasury, the purposes for which he prays an Issue from the Exchequer, should state also the Balances in the hands, or at the disposal of the Deputy Treasurer, and of the Agent of the Out-Pensioners respectively.

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Chelsea.

The Annual Accounts for the several Services of Chelsea Hospital, make a part of the aggregate Account of the Paymaster General of the Forces, but are separately made up and delivered by the Deputy Treasurer and Agent. We are uninformed of the state of the Account of the Agent for Out-Pensioners, having been prevented making any particular enquiry into his branch of the Department, by the circumstance stated in the beginning of this Report. But the Account of the Deputy Treasurer for the year 1810, was delivered to the Paymaster General before 24th March 1811; and we learned from Lieutenant Colonel Wilson, in February 1812, that this Account had been transmitted to the Office of Audit, and had been there examined and declared. If the same regularity and expedition have been observed in making up and auditing the Accounts of the Agent, there can be little apprehension that any improper Expenditure will be incurred, or that any large unnecessary Balances will be suffered to accumulate in the hands of the Accountant.

COMMISSARY GENERAL OF MUSTERS.

THE Duties of the Commissary General of Musters (an Appointment which is held, as we have said, by Mr. Aust, the Secretary and Register of Chelsea Hospital) are, as he describes, "to superintend the Musters of the Army on the British Establishment, with the exception of such part of it as is employed on Foreign Service; to have the custody of the Muster Rolls, and the personal mustering, by himself or Deputy, of the Horse and Foot Guards, and the Military Force at the Tower, and at Chelsea Hospital." The *Superintendence of the Musters of the Army* is explained to mean, an attention to the improvement of the Muster Rolls, and to the forming Alphabetical Regimental Registers from them, for the purpose of facilitating the answers to enquiries from the relatives of Soldiers, as well as from discharged Soldiers, in order to ascertain their services, upon their Examination before the Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital: And Mr. Aust adds,

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adds, in a Letter which we received from him subsequently to his Examination, that a material part of the business of his Department consists also in the entry in the Registers kept in his office, of all Military Commissions and Leaves of Absence, as directed by the Articles of War; but that the latter part of this duty (the entry of Leaves of Absence), has been in arrear for upwards of two years past, owing to his not having been able to procure from the War Office the requisite notifications for the purpose.

App^x N^o 3.

Mr. Aust executed the same description of duties in 1798, at the time that the Select Committee of Finance reported on his Office, in their 36th Report; but he states that the interior business of his Department has been considerably increased since that time, by the Musters of the Army being taken monthly instead of half-yearly, which, by augmenting the number of Muster Rolls from two to twelve for every Regiment, except the Guards, has made it requisite to employ additional Clerks in examining and registering the same. We learn also from Mr. Aust, that he receives the same Salary, Emoluments and Fees, as he did in the year 1798; but he adds, that the average amount of the Fees is considerably less than it was at that period, for the net average receipt from his Situation, was at that time about two thousand seven hundred pounds, and is now only about two thousand pounds per annum. We observe in the "Account of the Establishment" of his Office, that under the head of Emoluments, besides a sum of one hundred and fifty pounds, described as "out of deduction of "one day's Pay," a sum of three hundred and sixty-five pounds for "Contingencies," another, of forty-five pounds twelve shillings and sixpence "for Postage," and a third, of twenty pounds additional for "Stationery," are stated to be received by the Commissary General of Musters. We learn however from Mr. Aust, that no Account is rendered of the Expenses of this Office, but an Estimate of them having been submitted to Parliament, he obtains a Warrant for the amount, under a supposition that the charges are limited. The same Sums indeed, with the exception of the twenty pounds for Stationery, appear to be inserted under the head of Emoluments, in the Account of the Establishment of his Office, published in the Appendix to the 36th Report alluded to; but the amount of the actual Disbursements or Deductions from these supposed fixed Allowances, is stated in both Accounts at much less than the Sums received from the Public, and therefore we think that the Estimates for this Office, which, under the authority of the Pay-Office Act, are formed in the Office of the Secretary at War, require some revision.

£. 2,700.

£. 2,000.

App^x N^o 20.

£. 150.

£. 365.

£. 45. 12s. 6d.

£. 20.

App^x N^o 3.

£. 20.

App^x (C. 4.)

The Fees which the Commissary General of Musters receives, are stated in another paper in the Appendix to the 36th Report of the Select Committee on Finance. On "Regimental Commissions and Leaves of Absence" of Officers, one day's Pay, and one shilling for the entry on each; and "on Brevets, one day's Pay, and five shillings for the entry." There are also other Fees for Searches and Certificates, stated in that list to be received in the Commissary General's Office; but it is added that these, as well as the former Fees for entry, were equally divided, at the date of that Report, between the two Clerks on the Establishment. And it appears from the Account of the first of the Establishments alluded to, that the Commissary General paid two hundred pounds per annum Salary out of his own Fees to these two Clerks, and that the Salaries which they received from the Public were only forty-five pounds twelve shillings and sixpence each.

£. 200.

£. 45. 12s. 6d.

The Establishment of this Office has been considerably increased since the date of that Report. This was done on the authority of Mr. Windham,

ham, whilst Secretary at War, on the suggestion of Mr. Aust, alleging the great advantages which would arise from an improved method of registering the Adjutant's Monthly Muster Rolls. It appears from the statement of this proceeding, which is taken from the "Proceedings on the Finance Reports," F. 32—37. that although this suggestion had been submitted to the consideration of the Lords of the Treasury by the Secretary at War, yet that it had been carried into execution without their express authority. Their Lordships however, on being informed of this matter, directed that this increase of expense was to be considered as temporary, and only to continue during the period that there was any extraordinary increased labour in the Office.

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The present Establishment consists, exclusive of the Commissary General of Musters, of a Deputy Commissary General, whose net receipt, after deducting taxes, &c. is stated, on an average of three years, to be three hundred and sixty-six pounds twelve shillings and sixpence; a Chief Clerk, who receives the whole of the two hundred pounds allowed by the Commissary General, and the whole also of the Fees formerly divided between two Clerks, and whose total receipt exceeds eight hundred pounds per annum, but who pays out of it nearly two hundred pounds per annum gratuity to a superannuated Clerk; of five other Clerks, whose Salaries, varying from one hundred and thirty-three pounds fourteen shillings and eight pence, to one hundred pounds per annum, are paid by the Public; and of two Servants: the net receipt of the whole, on an average of three years, being three thousand five hundred and eighty-five pounds eighteen shillings and one penny, exclusive of the expense of an official house, which is stated to be two hundred and fifty-five pounds per annum.

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£. 800.

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£. 255.

It occurred to us, on a consideration of the preceding statement of the duties and expense of the Office of the Commissary General of Musters, that one or two at least of the duties were become unnecessary, and that at all events the expense greatly exceeded what ought to be deemed a fair remuneration for the execution even of the whole of the enumerated duties. So long as under the directions of the 37th section of the Pay-Office Act, the Musters of the Forces were taken half-yearly by many Deputy Commissaries, acting under the superintendence of the Commissary General of Musters; and it was a part of his duty to transmit Copies of these Musters to the Offices of the Secretary at War, the Paymaster General of the Forces, and the Comptrollers of Army Accounts; and so long as, according to the testimony of the Deputy Secretary at War, Mr. Lewis, these Muster Rolls formed, in the Office of the Secretary at War, the chief Vouchers by which the charges for the Pay of the Officers and Men of the Army were checked, it was expedient that the Commissions and Leaves of Absence of Officers should be registered in the Office of the Commissary General of Musters; and it might be proper also, that the emoluments of the person at the head of this Office, should be considerable, and that he should be assisted by a Deputy. But in 1798 this system was changed, and the office of Deputy Commissaries being discontinued, it was directed by different Regulations of the War Office, that the Monthly Pay Lists of the newly appointed Paymasters to Corps, should be authenticated by the Commanding Officer and Adjutant, who, with the Paymaster, were made responsible for the accuracy and exactness of them; and it was declared that the Pay Lists, thus authenticated, were "to have the full credit and authority of Muster Rolls, and to be true and incontrovertible Vouchers." And it was at the same time further directed, that the Paymasters should muster their respective Corps by the Pay Lists, on the 24th of each month, and that the Muster Rolls which were to be produced by the Adjutant,

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and compared with the Pay Lists, should be certified by the Commanding Officer*. It should seem, therefore, that subsequently to the adoption of these Regulations, if there were any other Offices in which the Commissions and Leaves of Absence of Officers were entered, some reduction might have been made in the Establishment of the office of the Commissary General of Musters, whatever convenience might be supposed to follow from continuing the remaining part of it, for the purpose of registering, with a view to the facility of reference, the names contained in the new Muster Rolls in alphabetical order.

App^x N^o 19. (A.)

We have learned from answers to some questions which we submitted to Mr. Merry, the present Deputy Secretary at War, that in fact the Commissions are entered in the War Office, and the Leaves of Absence in the Office of the Adjutant General, and in the War Office also, until April 1809; and that so far as the War Office is concerned, there is no utility in registering either in the Office of the Commissary General of Musters. We learn also from Mr. Merry, that the names in the Pay List of Corps, are now arranged alphabetically by Regiments, and in the Adjutant's Roll by Troops and Companies, both of which Documents are transmitted to the War Office. By this original arrangement of the names of the Non-commissioned Officers and Privates, the subsequent labour of registering them alphabetically, for the purpose of answering enquiries as to their existence or services, cannot but be greatly diminished; and therefore, in every view of the business described to be carried on at present in the Office of the Commissary General of Musters, it appears to us that the Establishment belonging to it exceeds what is requisite. The same conclusion seems to have been anticipated by the Lords of the Treasury, when in 1801 they directed, that the increase of the Expense in this Office should be considered as temporary, and to continue only while there was any increase of labour in it.

£.100.

But we suggest further, that the office of Commissary General of Musters might be wholly discontinued, by appointing a branch of the War Office, consisting of two or three Clerks, to carry on the business of registering alphabetically the names inserted in the Adjutant's Roll, and of answering enquiries; and by appointing also a Clerk in that Office, or an Officer in the Army on Half-pay, with an additional Salary of one hundred pounds per annum, to make the personal half-yearly Musters of the Horse and Foot Guards, and of the Military Force at the Tower and at Chelsea Hospital, so long as it may be deemed expedient to make a distinction in mustering between these Forces and the rest of the Army.

We suggest, lastly, that the charge on Officers for the registering of their Leaves of Absence, be discontinued, and that the proportion of the Fees on their Commissions, which is collected at the War Office on account of the Commissary General of Musters, be applied in payment of the Clerk's Salaries employed in executing the duties now executed by him, or in his Office, or be carried to the general Fee Fund of the War Office. And we recommend, as of course, that the Allowances which are usually granted to Public Officers, whose Offices are suppressed, should be granted to the established Officers of the Department of the Commissary General of Musters, until otherwise provided for.

* N. B. Some alteration has been made by a Regulation of 29th January 1806, as to the period of making up the Pay Lists, but the Paymasters are still to muster the Corps to which they belong, by the Adjutant's Rolls, every month, which are afterwards regularly transmitted to the War Office.

ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM.

THE interruption of our enquiries, by the expiration of the Act of the 51st of the King, occurred before we had personally examined any of the Officers of the Royal Military Asylum; but we are enabled, from the very clear and satisfactory Returns and Accounts transmitted to us, and from a personal inspection of the Asylum, to give a general view of the nature of the Institution, and of the mode in which the business of it is at present conducted.

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The Royal Military Asylum is an Institution of recent date, and has not yet been noticed in any Report to the Legislature. On the 24th of June 1801, His Majesty's commands were signified by Warrant to certain persons therein named, to prepare and report to His Majesty, Orders and Regulations for the government of a Royal Military Asylum, which His Majesty was pleased to establish at Chelsea, "for the maintenance and education of a certain number of Orphan and other Children of the Non-commissioned Officers and Privates" of the Army, and for the direction, management, and controul of all Officers belonging thereto; and in the same year an Agreement was entered into with Mr. Copland, to erect the necessary Buildings, under the direction of the Barrack Office.

App^x N^o 21.

The Report called for by the Warrant, was made in April 1803, and the Buildings being soon after completed, an Establishment was formed, as stated in the first column of the Paper in the Appendix, and Children were first received into the Institution in August of that year.

App^x N^o 22.

The Report of the Commissioners having been approved in all its parts, was adopted, and carried into effect by His Majesty's Warrant of 26th of April 1805, the provisions of which form the constitution of the Royal Military Asylum. By this Warrant, their Royal Highnesses the Dukes of York, Kent, Cumberland and Cambridge, and certain other persons by name, together with the Commander in Chief, the Secretary at War, the Bishops of London and Winchester, the Paymaster General of the Forces, the Master General of the Ordnance, the Quarter-master General, Adjutant General, Barrack-master General, Inspector General of the Recruiting Service, the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Chelsea Hospital, the Colonels of the two regiments of Life Guards, the Judge Advocate General, the Commissary General, the Chaplain General, and the Deputy Secretary at War, *for the time being*, are constituted Commissioners for the government of the Asylum, to any five or more of whom, forming a Board, (the Commander in Chief, Secretary at War, Paymaster General, Quarter-master General, Adjutant General, or Governor of Chelsea Hospital, being one) full power and authority are given to act as they in their discretion shall judge expedient for the due government and maintenance of the Asylum. By this Warrant, it is directed that four quarterly or general Boards shall be held in each year, at which the general business of the Institution, such as the appointment and removal of Officers, other than Commissioned Officers, and the authorizing and approving of Contracts, and the examining and settling of Accounts, shall be transacted; and that a Committee open to all Commissioners (but at which three, specially named by the general Board, shall always be present) shall meet as often as occasion may require, to receive Reports, and determine on the rejection or admission of Children.

Annexed to printed
Regulations.

The number of Children to be admitted was at first limited to one thousand, viz. seven hundred Boys, and three hundred Girls, but by a King's Warrant of 24th February 1809, this number was extended to seven hundred and ninety-two Boys, and three hundred and forty-eight Girls,

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Girls, making an addition of one hundred and forty Children, which Augmentation took place from December 1808; and amongst the Papers transmitted to us, is an Estimate of the Charge of a further Augmentation of one hundred and sixty Children in 1810; but it is not accompanied by any Warrant sanctioning this increase, although, from the Returns of numbers on the Establishment, it appears to have been acted upon to some extent.

In the selection of the Children for admission, preference is directed, by the original Warrant, to be given,

- 1st. To Orphans.
- 2d. To those whose Fathers have been killed, or have died on Foreign Service.
- 3d. To those who have lost their Mothers, and whose Fathers are absent on duty abroad.
- 4th. To those whose Fathers are ordered on Foreign Service, or whose Parents have other Children to maintain.

The age at which the Children are admitted into the Asylum, is regulated by the circumstances stated in the printed forms of Petition and Certificate, but there is a branch of the Establishment in the Isle of Wight, for the reception of Children of the earliest age; the continuance in the Asylum, either of Boys or Girls, is limited to the age of fourteen. They are taught Reading, Writing, and the four rules of Arithmetic, according to the Madras system of Education, and they are instructed in the trades of Shoemakers, Taylors, Cap-makers, &c. &c.; they make and mend all the principal articles of their own Dress, and thereby very materially lessen the expense of the Institution. They are taught also to march, and some other parts of Military Exercise, without Arms, and all their proceedings are directed with Military form and regularity. At the age of 14, the Boys have their choice either of being apprenticed to Trades, or of going into the Army; and the Girls are also apprenticed out at the same age. Both are at such times completely clothed to an extent suited to their situation, and take with them a Bible, a Prayer Book, and "Whole Duty of Man." We are not enabled to speak in detail of the conduct and success of the persons to whom the several branches of Education and Instruction are entrusted; but the general cleanliness and good order of the Schools, Lodging, Eating-rooms, and Workshops, and the apparent health and behaviour of the Children, bear testimony to the efficiency of the general superintendence; and we have every reason to believe, that ample justice is done to the benevolent intentions of the Public, in the conduct of this Institution.

App^x N^o 23.

The Return in the Appendix, shews the number of Children on the Establishment in each year, and how those who have left it have been disposed of. From this it appears, that nearly half of the Boys volunteer from the Asylum into the Army; and it is understood that many of those who go out as Apprentices afterwards enlist.

The Establishment of Officers, Assistants, and Servants, is also regulated, and their Allowances fixed by the Warrant of 1805 (subject to such further change, augmentation, or diminution, in the description and number or Salaries of the Under-Officers, Assistants, and Servants, as to the Commissioners may hereafter appear necessary); viz.

20 s.

- 1 Commandant, at twenty shillings per diem, with allowance of Coals and Candles for three Rooms.

1 Treasurer

1 Treasurer, at three hundred pounds per annum, including all Allowances for Clerks, Stationary, &c.	£. 300.
1 Chaplain and Superintendent of Morals and Education, at two hundred and eighty pounds per annum, with Coals and Candles for two Rooms and a half.	£. 280.
1 Adjutant and Secretary, at ten shillings, with an Allowance of Coals and Candles for two Rooms.	10 s.
1 Quarter Master and Steward, at one hundred and eighty pounds, with Coals and Candles for two Rooms.	£. 180.
1 Surgeon, who holding the rank of Surgeon to the Forces, shall have the Pay of fifteen shillings per day, with Coals and Candles for two Rooms and a half; and an Hospital Mate at five shillings, without other Allowance.	15 s. 5 s.
1 Serjeant Major of Instruction, at two shillings and sixpence per diem, with Clothing and Board the same as the Children, and Coals and Candles for one Room.	2 s. 6 d.
Serjeant Assistants; 1 to every 50 Boys, at one shilling and sixpence Clothing, and Board, and an Allowance of Coals and Candles, to be fixed by Commissioners.	1 s. 6 d.
An addition of sixpence per day to the Quarter-master Serjeant, and such of the Serjeants as shall be employed to instruct the Boys in the different Trades.	6 d.
A Drummer, with Drummer's Pay and Clothing, and to mess with the Children.	
A Matron, at one hundred pounds per annum.	£. 100.
An Assistant Matron and School Mistress, at fifty pounds per annum.	£. 50.
A Reading Mistress and a Knitting Mistress, at twenty-five pounds per annum each, and one shilling per day for Board.	£. 25. 1 s.
Nurses, one to each Ward, at ten pounds, and their Board, with Clothing, Coals, and Candles.	£. 10.
Nurses for the Infirmary, in proportion to the number of Sick, at twelve pounds per annum, with Clothing, Coals, and Candles.	£. 12.
A Cook, at twenty pounds, her Board, Clothing, Coals, and Candles; two Assistants, at ten pounds, with similar Allowances.	£. 20. £. 10.
A Laundress, at twenty pounds, with Board, Clothing, Coals, and Candles.	£. 20.
A Serjeant Porter, at one shilling and sixpence, with Clothing, one shilling per day in lieu of Board, together with Coals and Candles.	1 s. 6 d.
And it is strictly enjoined, that no Officer shall directly or indirectly receive any Perquisite or Emolument beyond his Pay and Allowances. In virtue, however, of the power committed to the Commissioners, additions have been made to the rates of Pay of the Non-commissioned Officers and Drummers, to make them equal to the present rates of Pay of similar ranks of the Line; and in consequence of the augmentation of two Companies of Children, and of the new Infirmary, an addition was made to the Establishment, from 25th March 1811, of one Serjeant, one Assistant Laundress, two Hospital Nurses, five Company's Nurses, and one Journeyman Taylor. By King's Warrant of August 1809, the Salary of the Commandant was also raised to five hundred pounds per annum, by an addition of one hundred and thirty-five pounds; and that of the Chaplain to three hundred and fifty pounds, by an addition of seventy pounds. On the 27th June 1811, the sanction of the Lords of the Treasury was given to an augmentation to the Matron's Salary, of thirty pounds per annum, to that of the Assistant Matron, of ten pounds per annum, and to each of the three School Mistresses, of six pounds fifteen shillings per annum: And the Establishment now stands as stated in the last column of	£. 500. £. 135. £. 350. £. 70. £. 30. £. 10. £. 6. 15.

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of the Return before alluded to, and the Expense attending it, appears from the Estimate to be,

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	£.	s.	d.
For Salaries - - - - -	3,337	15	—
Provisions to Serjeants, Nurses, Cooks, and Laundresses, in number 48 - - -	1,045	9	—
Clothing for ditto - - - - -	163	7	9
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	£. 4,546	11	9

£. 24,000.
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& 25. (A.)

Although this sum is in the aggregate considerable, yet when it is considered that the highest Salary is no more than five hundred pounds per annum, it will probably be admitted, that compared with the labour and attention requisite in the care, maintenance, and instruction of nearly 1,200 Children, the Establishment is both in extent and expense as moderate as is consistent with a proper discharge of the duty, and a fair remuneration to the Officers employed; unless indeed the Appointment of Treasurer should be thought to form an exception, and his Salary a needless Expenditure. The total Expenditure of one year, according to the Estimate, is about twenty-four thousand pounds; and it appears from the Quarterly Accounts of the Commandant, Colonel Williamson, that all the Bills and Salaries are paid by him, for which purpose he receives Money from the Treasurer by two Payments in each Quarter, so that eight Payments in each year are the only item on the Discharge side of the Treasurer's Accounts. It appears to us, therefore, that the Commandant might receive the Money for the service of the Department immediately from the Paymaster General, and the immediate agency of the Treasurer might then be dispensed with. It occurs as a general observation on this Establishment, that the Officers appear to continue in the receipt of the Half-pay of their former Situations in the Army, and that all the inferior Officers are on the Out-Pension of Chelsea Hospital.

App^x N^o 26.

The accurate Accounts furnished to us from the Asylum, enable us to exhibit in one view a Statement of the total expense attending this Institution, from its commencement in 1801 to June 1811; and the Paper in the Appendix shews the number of Children on the Establishment in each year, and the expense incurred for the same periods, under various heads.

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£. 104,000.
£. 1400.

The item of expense of most importance in this Statement, is of course that which includes the purchase of Ground, the erection of Buildings, and fitting them for the reception of the Children. The total under this head appears to have exceeded one hundred and four thousand pounds, including one thousand four hundred pounds for a new Infirmary, rendered necessary by the prevalence of Ophthalmia. The Buildings were, as we have stated, erected by Mr. Copland, under the direction of the Barrack Office; but neither from Mr. Copland, nor from the Office, could we obtain the original Agreement entered into, though from both we have received what, it is not doubted, contains the substance of it. It appears that the Work was undertaken upon the principle of Measure and Value, and that the Bills were settled by Architects, paid from the Funds of the Institution. As this Building was erected prior to our examination into, and Report upon, the conduct of business in the Barrack Department, we deem it unnecessary to repeat our objections to the principle of paying for the Work according to a value to be set upon it after it is completed; and the preference due to the principle of contracting for the Price of the Work by the square or rod, before it is undertaken, leaving the Measurement only to be afterwards ascertained; nor

is it necessary to point out how additionally objectionable the former mode becomes, in cases where the persons employed to settle the Bills are paid by a per-centage on the amount, as in the present instance.

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The cost of the Buildings appears to have been eighty-eight thousand seven hundred pounds; the magnitude of this expense must be attributed to the extent and solidity of the work, and of the accommodation provided, for nothing appears to have been unnecessarily expended, either on the elevation or interior fitting of the Building.

£.88,700.

If it should be thought, that the distinct accommodation of Sleeping-rooms, Dinner-rooms School-rooms, and Work-shops, is greater than is necessary for the description of persons who are to occupy them, it may be observed, that if in future it should be thought fit to increase the Establishment of Children, the School-rooms might be conveniently used as Sleeping-rooms, and the present Dining-rooms be made to serve the purpose also of Rooms for instruction, and that the increased expense in the first instance is much less than would be subsequently incurred by an enlargement of the plan.

The most considerable item in the annual Account, is the cost of Provisions, and our attention has been directed to the mode of supply. All Provisions (as indeed all other Articles wanted for the Asylum) are procured by contract on tenders, after Advertisement, and the different proposals, with the names of the parties, are minuted in a Book, and can therefore be at any time referred to. The Contracts are voidable on one month's notice from either party. The different articles of Provision are separately contracted for, and the agreement is made by the pound, stone, or hundred weight; the Quartern Loaf and Sack of Flour, according to the customary mode of dealing for each. The benefits derived from this mode of contracting, are precisely such as we had anticipated, when we recommended a similar course in the supply of Chelsea Hospital. The Return in the Appendix, shews the prices at which the several articles of Provisions are now obtained, and it is particularly deserving of observation, with reference to what we had occasion to state on the subject of the supply of Bread to Chelsea Hospital, that Bread is delivered to the Asylum at three-pence halfpenny per Quartern Loaf under the assize-price for Wheaten Bread, although no accommodation for baking or storing is afforded at the Asylum. The Bread is to be equal to a sample produced at the time the Contract is entered into, and is not, so far as we could judge, made from Flour of the first quality, but it is superior in this respect to the Bread in use at Chelsea Hospital, allowing only three farthings on the Quartern Loaf, for difference of quality and advantage of baking in the Hospital Premises, in addition to the abatement on the Assize; the excess of price paid for Bread in the Hospital Ration, is one penny per pound, or one penny per day on each Ration, beyond that at the Asylum. The present Contract for Flour, commencing the 12th April, is at one hundred and four shillings per Sack, the market-price, at the time it was entered into, being, as stated by other persons tendering, one hundred and ten shillings. The price of Meat is under sixpence per pound for Beef, and about seven-pence farthing for Mutton. The Contract for Coals is at fifty-six shillings per Chaldron. These prices confirm the opinion we entertain, and have sometimes had occasion to express, that the full benefits of competition are obtained in those cases only where the Tradesman is at liberty to tender for the supply of the single commodity in which he deals. The Bills are punctually discharged at the end of every Quarter, and this circumstance has no doubt a very favourable influence on the Contracts.

App^x N^o 27.

104s.

110s.

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56s.

The Hospital expenses, including, as stated in the General Account, "Medicines and various other Articles," have amounted, in six years and a half,

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£. 1,215 13. 3.

half, from 25th December 1804 to 24th June 1811, (during which period the number of Children has progressively increased from 878 to 1,177,) to one thousand two hundred and fifteen pounds thirteen shillings and three-pence, or about one hundred and ninety pounds per annum. The Medicines are procured from Apothecaries Hall, and are administered under the directions of the Surgeon on the Establishment. We have made this statement, as affording some means of comparison of the Medical Expenses under the different systems of management at Chelsea Hospital, and at the Military Asylum.

£. 10,823.

£. 9. 8. 3 $\frac{1}{4}$.

£. 21. 15. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The average charge for Provisions, in the years 1809, 1810 and 1811, appears to have been, for one year, ten thousand eight hundred and twenty-three pounds; the average number of Children in the Asylum, for the same period, 1,150, so that the annual expense for the food of each Child, was nine pounds eight shillings and three-pence three farthings, or rather more than sixpence per day; and in this Sum is included the board of 48 Sergeants; Nurses and others boarded at the expense of the Institution, and whose board is calculated at the Asylum to cost twenty-one pounds fifteen shillings and seven-pence farthing per annum each.

£. 24.

The cost of Clothing for the Children, appears to amount to about three pounds per annum for each; the superintendence and instruction may be stated at about the same Sum; and on a general view of the whole Expenditure (without reference to the first expense incurred in building and fitting) it may be calculated that the annual charge for each Child admitted into this Charity, is almost twenty-four pounds.

App^x N^o 24.

App^x N^o 24. (A.)

£. 1,800.

App^x N^o 29.

The Funds for the support of this Institution, are annually voted by Parliament, on an Estimate forming a separate head in the Army Estimates, which is founded on a previous Estimate, detailing with the greatest minuteness every probable item of expense, so as that the propriety of the sum asked may be accurately judged of; and on a further statement, showing the grounds of the increase or decrease in the amount, as compared with the Estimate for the year preceding. The monies are issued to the Treasurer, and by him to the Commandant, as before stated. The Accounts in the Appendix, shew that the aggregate Balance in the hands of both, did not much exceed one thousand eight hundred pounds, in June of the last year.

App^x N^o 25. &
25. (A.)

The Commandant's Accounts of Receipts and Disbursements are made up Quarterly, in the form shewn in the Appendix; they are examined and signed by the Adjutant and Secretary, and certified by the Commandant; they are then submitted to the Committee, who certify to their examination and correctness, and subsequently to the Board, by whom they are examined and approved. They are afterwards, we presume, transmitted to the Auditors of Public Accounts, as part of the Account of the Paymaster General of the Forces.

App^x N^o 28.

The Expenditure and Accounts of which we have hitherto spoken, are those of a public sort, and which make a part of the regular system of the Institution; but there is also a separate Fund and a separate Expenditure, and a consequent separate Account, which we find in use in the conduct of the Institution, and which it will be proper therefore to notice. We allude to the practice which, with a view no doubt of preventing all perquisites to the inferior Officers and Servants, has been adopted, of selling every Article, even of the least value, but useless, at the Asylum, such as the old woollen and linen rags, the waste paper and copy-books, and the grass of the court-yards, &c. and of making, what is there called, "a separate Fund" of the produce. The paper in the Appendix shews what Articles have

have been disposed of, and that the produce in the year 1811, was about one hundred pounds, and it shews also in what manner this Fund has been applied. The establishment of this Fund, and the application of it, on a principle chiefly of encouragement to the Children, are both very creditable to the Management.

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£. 100.

The Accounts are laid before the Board of Commissioners, and examined and approved by them. It may be doubtful whether any advantage would be gained by introducing any Statement of this Account into the general Account of the Receipt and Expenditure of this Institution; but if it were deemed expedient that some such statement should be made, it would be sufficient, we think, to state generally, in the last Quarterly Account of each year, "Received for sale of Old Stores, &c." and "Disbursements approved by the Board," with the "Balance of the separate Fund in the hands of the Commandant," without the production of any Vouchers.

The Act of the last year, which continued the Act of 45th of the King cap. 47, constituting us Commissioners of Military Enquiry, expiring on the day of the date of this Report, it is proper to state in this place, that, with the exception of the Office of the Commissioners appointed under the 25th of the King, cap. 52, to audit the public Accounts of the Kingdom, we have now reported on all the Matters distinctly enumerated in the said Act. It is to be observed, however, that by the provisions of the 46th of the King, cap. 141, the Office of the Commissioners of Audit received a new constitution, their powers being at the same time materially altered and enlarged; and that the Committee of the House of Commons, appointed in 1807 to enquire into the Public Expenditure, have reported, in their 5th and 10th Reports, on the mode in which the business of this Department has been conducted, and have suggested many important matters, for the purpose of expediting the Audit of the Public Accounts. It would have been inexpedient, consequently, for us to have commenced an enquiry into the same subject, even if there had not been some doubt, whether the provisions of the Act of the 46th of the King, had not, in respect of the Office of Audit, repealed the authority which was given to us by the Act of the preceding year. Presuming, therefore, that we have now executed the whole of the duty which it was the intention of the Legislature to impose on us, we trust that it will be allowed to us to assert, that we have conscientiously endeavoured, throughout our long and laborious enquiries, to acquire such a knowledge of the details of business carried on in the several Departments on which we have reported, as might justify the opinions and suggestions we have given; and that in forming them, we have been guided solely by an anxious zeal for the Public Interests.

Office of Military Enquiry,
N^o 17, Buckingham-street, Adelphi,
25th March 1812.

SAM. C. COX. (L. s.)
GILES TEMPLEMAN. (L. s.)
HENRY PETERS. (L. s.)
CHA^s BOSANQUET. (L. s.)
B. C. STEPHENSON. (L. s.)
L. BRADSHAW. (L. s.)

APPENDIX

TO THE

NINETEENTH REPORT

Of the COMMISSIONERS of MILITARY ENQUIRY.

Appointed by Act 45 GEO. III. Cap. 47.

ROYAL HOSPITAL AT CHELSEA.

COMMISSARY GENERAL OF MUSTERS.

ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM.

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HIS Majesty's Patent and Instructions to the Right honourable the Lords and others, Commissioners for the Affairs of Chelsea Hospital.

GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith and so forth. To Our President of Our Council, now and for the time being; Our first Commissioner of Our Treasury, or Lord High Treasurer of Great Britain, now and for the time being; Our Principal Secretaries of State, now and for the time being; Our Paymaster General of Our Land Forces in Great Britain, now and for the time being; Our Secretary at War, now and for the time being; Our two Comptrollers of the Accompts of Our Army, now and for the time being; Our Governor, and Our Lieutenant Governor of Our Royal Hospital at Chelsea, now and for the time being: Greeting.

WHEREAS Our Royal Grandfather George the second, of glorious and happy memory, late King of Great Britain, and so forth, did by his Letters Patent, under the Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date at Westminster the seventh day of October, in the first year of his reign, constitute and appoint his President of his Council, then and for the time being; his first Commissioner of his Treasury, then and for the time being, or his High Treasurer of Great Britain for the time being; his Principal Secretaries of State, then and for the time being; his Paymaster General of his Land Forces in Great Britain, then and for the time being; his Secretary at War, then and for the time being; his Comptrollers of the Accompts of his Army, then and for the time being; his Governor and his Lieutenant Governor of his Royal Hospital at Chelsea, then and for the time being; his Commissioners for the government of his said Royal Hospital at Chelsea, and the Out-Pensioners thereto belonging, as by the said recited Letters Patent (relation being thereunto had) may more fully and at large appear: in which said Office, according to the form of the Statute in that case made and provided, they were continued for the space of six months, from the time of the demise of his said late Majesty; and by virtue of Our Royal Proclamation in that behalf issued, bearing date the twentieth day of March in the first year of Our reign, they are further continued for the space of four months from the day of the date of Our said Proclamation; and also by virtue of Our Royal Proclamation in that behalf issued, bearing date the twenty-fifth day of June in the said first year of Our reign, they are further continued for the space of four months from the date of Our said Proclamation, unless they shall by Us be sooner removed and discharged from the same. Now know ye that We have revoked and determined, and by these Presents do revoke and determine the said recited Letters Patent; and every clause, article, and thing therein contained, and them from the said office, We do remove by these Presents. And further know ye, that We reposing especial trust and confidence in your prudence, management, care and circumspection, have thought fit to constitute and appoint, and by these Presents do constitute and appoint you Our said President of Our Council, now and for the time being; Our first Commissioner of Our Treasury, now and for the time being, or Our High Treasurer of Great Britain, now and for the time being; Our said Principal Secretaries of State, now and for the time being; Our said Paymaster General of Our Land Forces in Great Britain, now and for the time being; Our Secretary at War, now and for the time being; Our two Comptrollers of the Accompts of Our Army, now and for the time being; Our said Governor, and Our said Lieutenant Governor of Our Royal Hospital at Chelsea, now and for the time being; to be Our Commissioners for the government of Our said Royal Hospital at Chelsea, and the Out-Pensioners thereto belonging. And We do hereby give and grant unto you Our said Commissioners, or any five or more of you, full power or authority to settle and ascertain what proportions and kind of victuals you shall judge most convenient for the diet of such persons as now are or shall hereafter be entertained and fed in Our said Royal Hospital, and to make contracts and agreements with any person or persons for the furnishing of the same, at such rates and for such times as to you Our said Commissioners, or any five or more of you, shall seem best; as also for clothing the said persons belonging to Our said Hospital, and washing the linen of them and every of them belonging; and likewise to keep in good order, repair, and maintain the several courts, gardens, walks, avenues, and lights belonging to Our said Hospital, as you or

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any five or more of you as aforesaid shall seem most proper for the better accommodation and good government of the same: And We do hereby give and grant unto you Our said Commissioners, or any five or more of you, as aforesaid, full power and authority to nominate, constitute, and appoint, from time to time, such and so many under-officers and servants, as are or shall at any time or times hereafter be wanting in Our said Hospital, and to remove or displace them, or any of them, from time to time, as to you Our said Commissioners, or any five or more of you, shall seem meet; and generally to do and perform all such other matters and things, as you Our said Commissioners or any five or more of you in your discretions shall think necessary for the good government of the said Hospital. And We do hereby direct, require, and command you Our said Commissioners to prepare and present to Us, for Our royal approbation, such Establishment or Establishments as you shall think proper for the expense of Our said Hospital, and for the Out-Pensioners of the same; as also to observe and follow such further orders, directions, and instructions, as We shall at any time or times hereafter give under Our Royal Sign Manual, relating to the said Hospital, or the government thereof. And We do hereby direct and command that in all cases whatsoever, where any Order or Orders, Warrant or Warrants, are now, or hereafter shall be to be signed for the payment of any sum or sums of Money, for any use or uses of the said Hospital, such Order or Orders, Warrant or Warrants, shall be signed by you Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you. And We do hereby empower you, or any three or more of you, to examine into the qualifications of any persons at present in Our said Hospital, or upon the Out-Pension thereof, and to discharge such of them from any further provision, as you, or any three or more of you, shall judge not to be duly entitled to the same. And We do hereby further declare Our will and pleasure to be, that no person be admitted for the future into Our said Hospital, or as an Out-Pensioner, but by Warrant under the hands of any three or more of Our said Commissioners: which Warrant shall be a sufficient authority, as well to the Commissary for mustering them, as the Treasurer or his Deputy, to pay to the said Out-Pensioners, such Allowance as is or shall be directed by Our Establishment or Regulation in that behalf. And lastly, Our will and pleasure is, and We do hereby require and command that you Our said Commissioners, and every of you, do diligently attend the execution of this Our Commission in all things as becometh; and this Our Commission, or the entry, enrolment, or exemplification thereof, shall be to you and every of you a sufficient Warrant and Discharge in this behalf. In Witness whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent. Witness Ourselves, at Westminster, the twenty-fourth day of October, in the first year of Our reign.

GEORGE R.

TO Our President of Our Council, Our first Commissioner of Our Treasury or Lord High Treasurer of Great Britain, Our Principal Secretaries of State, Our Paymaster General of Our Land Forces in Great Britain, Our Secretary at War, Our two Comptrollers of the Accounts of Our Army, Our Governor and Our Lieutenant Governor of Our Royal Hospital at Chelsea: All for the time being.

WHEREAS by Letters Patent under Our Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date at Westminster, the twenty-fourth of October One thousand seven hundred and sixty-one, in the first year of Our reign, We thought fit to appoint you Our Commissioners, for the government of Our Royal Hospital near Chelsea, and the Out-Pensioners belonging thereto, with directions to observe and follow such further orders and instructions as We should at any time or times thereafter signify to you, under Our Royal Sign Manual, relating to the management of the said Hospital. For your more perfect information of Our pleasure therein, and the better regulation of your conduct in the direction thereof, We have thought proper to send you these Our further Instructions. Our will and pleasure is,—

IMPRIMIS, That you inspect all Contracts made for Provisions and Necessaries for Our said Hospital; and that you likewise take into consideration the whole state thereof, in regard to the Offices, Salaries, Allowances, and all other Institutions, that the same may be reduced or enlarged, as you in your discretion shall think proper.

SECONDLY.—That, as far as may be, such persons only be made choice of to fill up the Offices in the Hospital, who shall be found qualified by their Services or Sufferings; and that no Woman be admitted into any Office of the Hospital, but the Widow of a person so qualified.

THIRDLY.—That you take a review of all the Lands and Buildings belonging to the said Hospital, either within or without the same, in order to apply them to the best advantage.

To the end that all possible care may be taken to prevent any person from being admitted into the said Hospital, or to the Out-Pension thereof, but such as are duly entitled to the same:—

FOURTHLY.—That not any Non-commission Officer or Soldier be admitted, who does not come directly from his Regiment, Troop, or Company, or neglects to make application, within six months after he has left the Service; unless it appear he has been hindered so doing by sickness, lameness, distance of the place in which he served, or some other unavoidable

unavoidable accident; and that every Non-commission Officer or Soldier, who shall claim a provision in the said Hospital or Out-Pension, in consideration of his being wounded, disabled, or worn out in the Service, shall, in order to his examination, bring a Certificate under the hands of the Colonel, Captain, or Commanding Officer, and Surgeon of the Regiment, Troop, or Company in which he served, expressing his name, age, how, when, and where he was disabled, according to the form prescribed by his late Majesty, by Warrant under his Royal Sign Manual, dated the fourteenth of June One thousand seven hundred and sixty, Copy whereof is hereunto annexed: And, that you may not be imposed upon by forged Certificates, We have given the necessary orders, that all Officers, upon discharging any Non-commission Officers or Soldiers, in order to their being provided for as aforesaid, take care to give them proper Certificates in the said form, and at the same time to transmit Duplicates, or Notices thereof, to the Agent, or person in London, acting for the said Regiment, Troop, or Company, who shall be required to appear before you, together with the said discharged men, at your next Meeting, to attest the knowledge of the Officers hands who have signed such Certificates.

FIFTHLY.—That upon their appearance, and the Agents attestation to the Certificates, you cause such Non-commission Officers and Soldiers to be examined before you to the contents thereof, and their wounds and infirmities to be also examined in your presence, by the Surgeon of Our Hospital; and in case they appear to you duly qualified, that they be immediately admitted into Our said Hospital; or provided for as Out-Pensioners; or ordered to duty in our Garrisons; and that proper Orders and Warrants be signed accordingly, the said Warrants (wherein are to be expressed the particulars of the examinations, and reasons for such Non-commission Officers and Soldiers admission) to be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose.

By an Act of Parliament in the 28th year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled, “An Act for the Relief of the Out-Pensioners of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea,” certain Rules and Regulations are enacted and established, for the better and more convenient payment of the Non-commission Officers and Soldiers, who are or shall be admitted to the Out-Pension, that they may as soon and effectually as possible receive the relief they have deserved by their Services or Sufferings:—

SIXTHLY.—That you are especially careful the Rules and Directions in the said Act be duly and punctually observed. That Our Treasurer or his Deputy, Our Secretary and Register, the Agent appointed by the said Act, and all persons concerned in the payment of the Out-Pensioners, do strictly observe and comply with the same: that the States and Lists of the Out-Pensioners be made up half-yearly, and the Warrants made out to the Treasurer as therein directed; and that proper and timely notice be given and published for their personal appearance, or making the Affidavits thereby required. And that in all things relating to their payments, not particularly otherwise directed by the said Act, the same regulations and methods to be observed, as before the making thereof.

SEVENTHLY.—And as it may happen that among the Non-commission Officers and Soldiers, who are or shall be admitted to the Out-Pension, some thereof may be incapable of appearing at the appointed times for muster and payment, or other summons, by reason of wounds or sickness; that an authentic Affidavit made by the Minister and chief Officers of the Parish wherein they may reside, of their existence and inability, and that they are no otherways provided for by the Public, being transmitted to the Secretary and Register of Our Hospital, shall be taken and deemed an appearance.

With regard to such Non-commission Officers and Soldiers, as shall be ordered by you to duty in Our Garrisons, of which Our Regiments and Independent Companies of Invalids, were originally formed, and constantly have been and are kept up and recruited:—

EIGHTHLY.—That you cause them to be entered as effectives in the Regiments or Independent Companies on duty in the Garrison they are sent to, according to their ranks, and that you follow such methods and rules, and all such acts and things relating to the recruiting, draughting, distributing, and discharging such Invalids, and also the Out-Pensioners, as have been usual and accustomed to be done by the former Commissioners of Our said Hospital, and as you from time to time shall judge to be for the good of Our Service.

NINTHLY.—When any Non-commission Officers or Soldiers ordered to duty in Garrison as aforesaid, shall be returned therefrom, as incapable, from age or infirmities, of any longer Service, and shall make application to the Secretary and Register of Our said Hospital, to be placed on the Pay-Books thereof; in case he shall think them capable of further Service that they be directed to appear before you at your next Meeting, to be examined by the Surgeon of Our said Hospital, and remanded to duty, or admitted to the Out-Pension, as to you shall seem proper.

TENTHLY.—That upon the vacancy of any Commission Officer belonging to Our Regiments or Independent Companies of Invalids, no person be admitted who hath not been disabled by wounds in the Service, or who hath not served twenty years: That no person having been dismissed the Service on any other account, or having sold his Commission, be admitted to the Corps of Invalids: And that upon due examination of the persons pretending to such
vacant

vacant Commission, you present to Us the names of any number not exceeding five, of such Officers so qualified, that We may bestow the said vacant Commission on one of them.

LASTLY.—That all persons may know when and where to apply to you without disappointment, that from time to time, as the affairs of Our Hospital may require, you cause regular and timely notice to be given and made publick, of the days of your Meeting.

G. R.

Copy of the WARRANT under the Royal Sign Manual of his late Majesty, mentioned in the fourth Article of these Instructions.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS it hath been represented unto Us by the Lords and others, Commissioners for the affairs of Our Royal Hospital at Chelsea, that the Discharges given to the Non-commissioned Officers and private Men, are often carelessly and incorrectly drawn, and not conformable to Our Instructions; and that the Agents or other Officers who should attest the knowledge of the hand-writing of the Officers who have signed such Discharges, do not attend so regular as they ought and are required to do, whereby the business of the said Hospital, and the speedy relief of the proper objects of Our Bounty, is greatly obstructed; to the intent therefore that these inconveniences may be prevented, Our will and pleasure is, and We hereby order, That all Colonels and other Officers in Our Service, having power to grant Discharges, shall make use of the Form hereunto annexed, and of none other, in discharging such Non-commissioned Officers or Soldiers, whose Services or Sufferings may entitle them to a Pension in the said Hospital; and that they should at the same time transmit Duplicates or Notices of such Discharges to the respective Agents to the Regiments, Troops or Companies to which the said Men did belong. And the said Agents are hereby directed and required to appear with the said discharged Men, before Our Commissioners for the affairs of Our said Hospital, to attest the knowledge of the hand-writing of the Officers who have signed such Discharges, and to give such other information as they shall be able, and as Our said Commissioners shall require. Whereof all Officers of Our Army, Agents and others, whom it doth or may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly

Given at Our Court at Kensington, this fourteenth day of June One thousand seven hundred and sixty, in the thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

BARRINGTON.

FORM of the DISCHARGE prescribed by, and annexed to, the foregoing Warrant.

His Majesty's Regiment of whereof is Colonel.
These do Certify, that the Bearer hereof in
 of the aforesaid Regiment, born in the Parish of
in or near the Market Town of in the County of
aged and by Trade a hath served honestly and
faithfully in the said Regiment years; but by
 is hereby discharged, and humbly recommended as a proper object
of His Majesty's Royal Bounty of Chelsea Hospital, he having first received all just demands
of Pay, Clothing &c. from his entry in the said Regiment to the date of his Discharge,
as appears by his Receipt on the back hereof.

Given under my Hand and the Seal of the Regiment, at
this day of 17

N. B. When a Soldier is discharged, his wounds and disorders must be particularly mentioned, when, where, and how they were contracted; and the Surgeon must sign the Certificates as well as the Field Officers.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the thirteenth day of July One thousand seven hundred and sixty-two, in the second year of Our Reign.

Appendix - - -

AN ACCOUNT of the Establishment of the ROYAL

Rank of Officer.	His Name.	By whom Appointed.	How Appointed.	When Appointed.	Duration of Interest.	R E C E I P T.				Other
						Salary.	By whom Paid	Fees.	By whom Paid.	Sundries.
						£. s. d.				
Governor - - -	General the Right Honourable Sir David Dundas.	His Majesty.	By a Commission.	2d April 1804.	During pleasure.	500 — —	The Public.	None.	-	Apartment, 31 chaldron of coals, 6 bushels of small coal, 200 lbs. of candles, & 100 lbs. of wax.
Lieut. Governor -	General Sam ^l Hulse.	D ^o	D ^o	25th Feb. 1807.	D ^o	400 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, 30 chaldron of coals, 6 bushels of small coal, 200 lbs. of candles, & 100 lbs. of wax.
Major - - - -	Lieut. Colonel R. Mathews.	D ^o	D ^o	15th Sept. 1801.	D ^o	300 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, 15 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels of small coal, and 150 lbs. of candles.
Adjutant - - -	Captain Geo. Acklom.	D ^o	D ^o	30th April 1794.	D ^o	100 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, 7 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels of small coal, and 100 lbs. of candles; a sur-tout coat every year.
Assist. Adjutant -	Capt. Cha ^s Duke.	The Board.	Nomination.	4th May 1807.	D ^o	100 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Is allowed £. 15. per ann. for inspecting hospital clothing, and 16s. per year for bringing ammunition from the Tower.
1st Chaplain - -	Reverend W ^m Haggitt.	His Majesty.	By a Commission.	30th April 1788.	D ^o	130 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, 2 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels of small coal, and 52 lbs. of candles.
2d Chaplain - -	Reverend Rich ^d Yates	D ^o	D ^o	28th March 1798.	D ^o	130 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, &c. as the 1st Chaplain. N. B. The Chaplains are allowed 12s. 2d. for sacramental expenses the 1st Sunday in every month, and 18s. 4d. for the three grand festivals, Christmas-day, Easter Sunday, and Whit Sunday.
Physician - - -	Doctor Benj ⁿ Mosely.	D ^o	D ^o	29th Dec. 1788.	D ^o	365 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, coal and candle, as the Chaplains.

- - - No. 2.

HOSPITAL at CHELSEA, on the 1st of January 1811.

EMOLUMENTS.			From whence.	Total Receipt.	DISBURSEMENTS.			Total Disbursements.	Net Receipt.	Other Employments, Places or Pensions, under Government.	Their Annual Value.
In lieu of Governor's Table.	In lieu of Furniture, per annum.	Board Wages.			Taxes.	Deputies and Clerks.	Contingencies.				
£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.			£. s. d.	£. s. d.		
3 s. p. diem during Residence in the Hospital.											
53 11 —	100 — —	- - -	-	653 11 —	12 10 —	- - -	- - -	12 10 —	641 1 —	Col. of the 2d Royal N. British Dragoons.	Pay and emoluments, £. 1,800.
27 — —	50 — —	- - -	-	477 — —	10 — —	- - -	- - -	10 — —	467 — —	Colonel of the 62d Regiment of Foot.	Pay and emoluments, £. 1,193. 2s. 6d.
48 18 —	30 — —	- - -	-	378 18 —	7 10 —	- - -	- - -	7 10 —	371 8 —	Lieut. Governor of the Island of Antigua. One of the Inspectors of Army Clothing.	10s. per diem nominal salary; no other emolument. 20s. per diem nominal salary; no other emolument.
- - -	25 — —	50 — —	-	175 — —	2 10 —	- - -	- - -	2 10 —	172 10 —	Captain on Half-pay.	No emolument therefrom.
- - -	- - -	- - -	-	115 16 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	115 16 —	Lieut. on Half-pay. Temporary rank as Aide de Camp to H. R. H. the Duke of Cambridge.	No emolument therefrom. 10 s. per diem.
42 3 —	25 — —	- - -	-	197 3 —	3 5 —	- - -	- - -	3 5 —	193 18 —	—	—
54 15 —	25 — —	- - -	-	209 15 —	3 5 —	- - -	- - -	3 5 —	206 10 —	—	—
53 5 —	25 — —	- - -	-	443 5 —	9 2 6	- - -	- - -	9 2 6	434 2 6	—	—

(continued.)

Rank of Officer.	His Name.	By whom Appointed.	How Appointed.	When Appointed.	Duration of Interest.	RECEIPT.				Other Sundries.
						Salary.	By whom Paid.	Fees.	By whom Paid.	
Secretary and Register - - -	Geo. Aust, esq.	His Majesty.	By a Commission.	20th Nov. 1795.	During Pleasure.	£. s. d. 500 — —	The Public.	None.		Apartment, coal, and can- dles, as the Chaplain. N. B. His Office is also furnished, and a contingent bill for the expenses of the same.
1st Clerk in Secretary's Office	Jos. Lynn.	The Board.	Nomination.	Jun ^r July 1777. Sen ^r 29th Aug. 1786.	D ^o	300 — —	D ^o	Warrants of appoint- ments of Officers, upon an average £.2. 2s. per year.	The Officers.	Apartment at the Office.
2d D ^o	Geo. Feagan.	D ^o	D ^o	Midsum ^r 1784.	D ^o	250 — —	D ^o	D ^o & 1s. for instruc- tion papers, to replace those which may be lost by the Pen- sioners.	The Pensioners.	- - -
Junior Clerks -	Rich ^d Revell.	D ^o	D ^o	5th Aug. 1802.	D	110 — —	D ^o	None.	-	- - -
	Eustace Danby.	D ^o	D ^o	6th Sept. 1802.	D ^o	110 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	- - -
Deputy Treasurer	Jn ^o Wilson, esq.	Paymaster Gen. for the time being.	Per Letter of Attorney.	28th April 1801.	D ^o	700 — — 200 on ac- count of the prize business, and 2s. per day for paying Pensioners; also a contingent bill for expenses of his Office.	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, 2 chaldron of coals, 2 bushels of small coal, and 52lbs. of candles.
Comptroller - -	Captain Loftus Nunn.	His Majesty.	Commission.	26th Dec. 1794.	D ^o	200 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, coal & candle, &c. as Deputy Treasurer.
Steward - - -	Valentine Fowler, esquire.	D ^o	D ^o	24th July 1787.	D ^o	200 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	A apartment, coal & candle, &c. as Deputy Treasurer.
Surgeon - - -	Tho ^s Keate, esq.	D ^o	D ^o	16th March 1790.	D ^o	100 — — 900 in lieu of bills for dressing In and Out-pensioners.	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, coal and candle, &c. as Deputy Treasurer.
Apothecary - -	Richard Robert Graham, esq.	His late Majesty.	By Patent.	18th May, in the 20th year of his reign.	For Life	50 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, coals & candles, as the Deputy Treasurer.— Amount of bills for 1810, £.1,156. 1s. 6d.
Clerk of the Works	John Soane, esq.	The Board.	By a Warrant.	2d Mar. 1807.	During Pleasure.	220 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, coals & candles, &c. as the De- puty Treasurer.
Surgeon's Deputy	John Leeds.	D ^o	D ^o	15th June 1809.	D ^o	150 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Two chaldron of coals, two bushels of small coal, and 26lbs. of candles.

CHELSEA—continued.

EMOLUMENTS.			From whence.	DISBURSEMENTS.					Total Disbursements.	Net Receipt.	Other Employments, Places or Pensions, under Government.	Their Annual Value.
In lieu of Governor's Table.	In lieu of Furniture, per annum.	Board Wages.		Total Receipt.	Taxes.	Deputies and Clerks.	Contingencies.					
£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.			
43 10 —	25 — —	- - -	-	568 10 —	27 10 — Allowed to be charged in his contingent bill.	- - -	- - -	27 10 —	568 10 —	Commissary General of Musters.	£. 2,050 — —	
- - -	- - -	- - -	-	300 — —	22 10 — Allowed to be charged as the Secretary's.	- - -	- - -	22 10 —	300 — —	Ensign in the late Invalids on the retired list.	4s. 8d. per diem.	
- - -	- - -	- - -	-	250 — —	18 15 — Allowed to be charged as the Secretary's.	- - -	- - -	18 15 —	250 — —	Lieut. and Paymaster in the Queen's Royal Volunteers.	No Emolument derived therefrom.	
- - -	- - -	- - -	-	110 — —	8 5 — Allowed to be charged as the Secretary's.	- - -	- - -	- - -	110 — —	-	-	
- - -	- - -	- - -	-	110 — —	8 5 — Allowed to be charged as the Secretary's.	- - -	- - -	- - -	110 — —	-	-	
52 — —	25 — —	- - -	-	977 10 —	7 10 —	- - -	- - -	7 10 —	969 10 —	Captain on Half-pay, and Lieut. Colonel of the Queen's Royal Volunteers.	No Emolument derived therefrom.	
53 11 —	20 — —	- - -	-	273 11 —	15 — —	- - -	- - -	15 — —	258 11 —	Captain on half-pay.	No Emolument therefrom.	
54 15 —	20 — —	- - -	-	274 15 —	15 — —	- - -	- - -	15 — —	259 15 —	-	-	
48 9 —	25 — —	- - -	-	1,073 9 —	2 10 —	- - -	- - -	2 10 —	1,070 19 —	Retired Allowance as Surgeon General; granted to him and confirmed by Parliament.	£. 1. 5. 4. per diem.	
49 4 —	25 — —	- - -	-	1,280 5 6	- - -	220 — —	275 — —	495 — —	785 5 6	-	-	
- - -	20 — —	- - -	-	240 — —	11 — —	- - -	- - -	11 — —	229 — —	-	-	
- - -	- - -	10 5 —	-	160 5 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	160 5 —	-	-	

No. 2.—ROYAL HOSPITAL,

Rank of Officer.	His Name.	By whom Appointed.	How Appointed.	When Appointed.	Duration of Interest.	RECEIPT.				Other Sundries.
						Salary.	By whom Paid.	Fees.	By whom Paid.	
Assistant Surgeon	W ^m North, jun.	The Board.	By Warrant.	15 June 1809.	During pleasure.	£. s. d. 120 — —	The Public.	None.	-	Two chaldron of coals, two bushels of small coal, and 26lbs of candles.
Lamp-lighter - -	Fra ^s Gander.	D ^o	D ^o	22d February 1776.	D ^o	20 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartments, 2 chaldron of coals and 52lbs. of candles, amount of bills for 1810 £. 787. 12s. 6d.
Wardrobe-keeper	Milbourne Blome.	D ^o	D ^o	17th Dec. 1798.	D ^o	50 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Ditto, candles and coal, &c. as the Lamp-lighter.
Whitster - - -	Cha ^s Duke.	D ^o	D ^o	7th Feb. 1811.	D ^o	None.	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartments, and allowed £. 612 per annum for washing the linen of the hospital, and is at all expenses for the same.
Comptroller of the Coal-yards, and Servant - - -	Jos ^h Jefferies.	D ^o	D ^o	11th Feb. 1793.	D ^o	60 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartments, coal & candles, as the Lamp-lighter.
Master Cook - -	Jn ^s Cock.	D ^o	D ^o	2d June 1806	D ^o	90 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartments, 2 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels sm. coal, 26lbs. of candles; also furnishes provisions at the 2 festivals, and linen for aprons.
Second Cook - -	Jn ^o Berriman.	D ^o	D ^o	16th June 1806.	D ^o	80 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartments, coal and candle, as the Master Cook, and linen for aprons.
1st Under-Cook -	Jn ^o May.	D ^o	D ^o	1st August 1788.	D ^o	27 10 —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartments, a coat and pair of breeches once in two years, and 12 aprons every year.
2d Ditto - - -	Jn ^o May, jun.	D ^o	D ^o	5th Feb. 1804.	D ^o	22 10 —	D ^o	D ^o	-	The same as the 1st Under-Cook.
3d Ditto - - -	Tho ^s Revell.	D ^o	D ^o	21st October 1805.	D ^o	22 10 —	D ^o			N.B. The three Under-Cooks are allowed 2 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels of small coal, and 26 lbs. of candles yearly between them.
Master Butler and Servants - -	Jos ^h Erswell.	D ^o	D ^o	20th Dec. 1810.	D ^o	108 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartments, 2 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels of small coal, and 52lbs. of candles; furnishes the wine for the two festivals, as likewise to the sick Pensioners, as ordered by the Physician and Surgeon, and mustard to the Pensioners table.

CHIEFSEA—continued.

EMOLUMENTS.			From whence	DISBURSEMENTS.				Total Disbursements.	Net Receipt.	Other Employments, Places or Pensions, under Government.	Their Annual Value.
In lieu of Governor's Table.	In lieu of Furniture, per annum.	Board Wages.		Total Receipt.	Taxes.	Deputies and Clerks.	Contingencies.				
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		
- - -	- - -	10 5 —	-	130 5 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	130 5 —	Formerly Garrison Surgeon in the Island of Corsica.	No Emolument derived therefrom.
- - -	- - -	10 5 —	-	817 17 6	- - -	- - -	- - -	Unknown.	Unknown.	—	—
- - -	- - -	10 5 —	-	60 5 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	60 5 —	—	—
- - -	20 — —	- - -	-	632 — —	- - -	- - -	- - -	Unknown.	Allowance settled, under the idea of leaving a profit of £. 100. per annum.	—	—
- - -	10 — —	10 5 —	-	80 5 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	80 5 —	—	—
- - -	10 — —	10 5 —	-	110 5 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	110 5 —	—	—
- - -	10 — —	10 5 —	-	100 5 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	100 5 —	—	—
- - -	5 — —	Victualled as the Pensioners.	-	32 10 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	32 10 —	—	—
- - -	5 — —	D ^o	-	27 10 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	27 10 —	—	—
- - -	5 — —	D ^o	-	27 10 —	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	27 10 —	—	—
- - -	10 — —	10 5 —	-	128 5 —	- - -	- - -	Finds Assistants, & pays them.	- - -	128 5 —	—	—

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No. 2.—ROYAL HOSPITAL,

Rank of Officer.	His Name.	By whom Appointed.	How Appointed.	When Appointed.	Duration of Interest.	R E C E I P T.				Other.
						Salary.	By whom Paid.	Fees.	By whom Paid.	Sundries.
Master Barber and Servants - -	John Parsey.	The Board.	By Warrant.	6th May 1799.	During pleasure.	£. s. d. 70 — —	The Public.	None.	-	Apartment, 5 chaldron of coals for his house and shop; 3 bushels of small coal, and 52 lbs. of can- dles; and is al- lowed £. 6. 10s. for linen, and washing the same.
Scullery-man - -	Benj ⁿ Lucas.	D ^o	D ^o	19th Jan. 1780.	D ^o	20 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, two chaldron of coals, three bu- shels of small coal, & 26 lbs. of candles; and is allowed £. 8. 8s. per year for his expenses in scowering the pewter.
Two under Scullery-men {	Abr ^m Lilley.	The Master Scullery-man, and approved by the Governors.	Nomination.	2d May 1810.	D ^o	17 10 —	D ^o	D ^o	-	A room to live in, two chaldron of coals, 3 bush- els of small coal and 26 lbs. of candles, be- tween them; every two years, each a coat and pair of breeches.
	W ^m Frame.			19th April 1811.	D ^o	17 10 —	D ^o	D ^o	-	
Sexton - - -	Thomas Crewe.	The Board.	By a Warrant.	6th May 1799.	D ^o	36 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, coal and can- dle, as the scu- lery-man; every two years, a coat and pair of bree- ches; and is al- lowed 1s. for digging the graves.
Usher of the Hall.	Sar ⁿ Dobinson.	D ^o	D ^o	12th July 1791.	D ^o	20 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, coal, candles and clothing, as the Sexton.
Porter - - -	Miriam Church.	D ^o	D ^o	17th Dec. 1792.	D ^o	12 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	D ^o - - D ^o - -
Turncock - -	John King.	D ^o	D ^o	1st August 1808.	D	21 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, 2 chaldron of coals, and 26 lbs. of candles.
Canal-keeper and Turncock.	William Brett.	D ^o	D ^o	7th May 1751.	D ^o	20 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Being super- annuated, from his age and infir- mities, only re- tains his salary; now deceased.
Gardener - - -	James Allen.	D ^o	D ^o	1st August 1808.	D ^o	55 — —	D ^o	D ^o	-	Apartment, 2 chaldron of coals, three bushels of small coal, 52 lbs. of candles, and is allowed £. 300 per year for keeping the gardens, walks, lawns, &c. in proper order, excepting the Governor's gar- den, who em- ploys his own gardener, and for which there is a separate al- lowance.

CHELSEA—continued.

EMOLUMENTS.			From whence.	Total Receipt.	DISBURSEMENTS.			Total Disbursements.	Net Receipt.	Other Employments, Places or Pensions, under Government.	Their Annual Value.
In lieu of Governor's Table.	In lieu of Furniture, per annum.	Board Wages.			Taxes.	Deputies and Clerks.	Contingencies.				
£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s.
- - -	10 - - -	20 10 - -	-	100 10 - -	- - -	- - -	46 10 - - for soap and razors, and men to shave the Pensioners.	46 10 - -	54 - - -	Door-keeper to His Majesty's Kitchen.	15 12 6
- - -	10 - - -	10 5 - -	-	40 5 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	40 5 - -	-	-
- - -	5 - - -	} Victualled the same as the Pensioners.	-	22 10 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	22 10 - -	-	-
- - -	5 - - -		-	22 10 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	22 10 - -	-	-
- - -	10 - - -	10 5 - -	-	56 5 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	56 5 - -	-	-
- - -	10 - - -	10 5 - -	-	40 5 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	40 5 - -	-	-
- - -	10 - - -	10 5 - -	-	32 5 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	32 5 - -	-	-
- - -	- - -	- - -	-	21 - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	21 - - -	-	-
- - -	- - -	- - -	-	20 - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	20 - - -	-	-
- - -	10 - - -	10 5 - -	-	75 5 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	75 5 - -	-	-

Rank of Officer.	His Name.	By whom Appointed.	How Appointed.	When Appointed.	Duration of Interest.	RECEIPT.				Other Sundries.
						Salary.	By whom Paid.	Fees.	By whom Paid.	
Sweepers - -	Thomas Revell.	The Board	By Warrant.	5th March 1798.	During pleasure.	£. s. d. 17 10 —	The Public.	None.	- -	Apartments, 2 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels of small coal, and twenty-six lbs. of candles between them; and once in two years, have each a coat and pair of breeches.
	Abraham Lilley.	D ^o	D ^o	2d November 1809.	D ^o	17 10 —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	
Messenger - -	Thomas Holmes.	D ^o	D ^o	19th Jan. 1780.	D ^o	20 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	- - -
Organist - - -	Dr. Cha ^s . Burney.	D ^o	D ^o	18th Dec. 1783.	D ^o	50 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	Is allowed £. 2 a year for locking up the organ.
Organ Tuner - -	William Gray.	D ^o	D ^o	17th June 1805.	D ^o	12 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	
Engine-keeper -	George Davis.	D ^o	D ^o	18th Dec. 1797.	D ^o	20 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	Is allowed £. 4 per annum for taking out the engines to play them.
Rector of Chelsea	Reverend Mr. Wellesley.	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
Vicar of Kensington - - -	Reverend Mr. Ormrod	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Tythe for the Land of the Hospital, which is in both Parishes, and always considered as part of the Establishment.										
Clock-keeper -	Charles Taylor.	The Board.	By Warrant.	21st October 1805.	During pleasure.	6 — —	The Public.	None.	- -	- - -
Cellar-woman -	Elizabeth Barnes.	D ^o	Nomination.	2d December 1799.	D ^o	20 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	Apartments, 2 chaldron of coals, 3 bushels small coal, and 26 lbs of candles.
House-keeper -	Mrs. Elizabeth Dalrymple.	D ^o	By Warrant.	10th October 1796.	D ^o	45 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	
Agent to the Out Pensioners -	Joseph Smith, esq	His Majesty.	By King's Warrant countersigned by the Lords of the Treasury.	23d May 1794.	D ^o	750 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	Apartments, 7½ chaldron of coals, 4½ bushels of small coal and 78 lbs of candles; £. 50 per year for two servants to cook and to carry out the provisions, &c. for the sick Pensioners on her diet: for the providing them, she has 1s. 6d. per head per day.
1st Clerk and Deputy in England.	Mr. Plasted.	The Agent.	Nomination.	- - -	D ^o	200 — — 160 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- -	
										Has an office in the hospital, which is supplied with all requisites, and kept in repair, and a bill for the contingent expenses of his office.

CHELSEA—continued.

EMOLUMENTS.			From whence.	DISBURSEMENTS.						Net Receipt.	Other Employments, Places or Pensions, under Government.	Their Annual Value.
In lieu of Governor's Table.	In lieu of Furniture, per annum.	Board Wages.		Total Receipt.	Taxes.	Deputies and Clerks.	Contingencies.	Total Disbursements.				
£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	
- - -	5 - -	Victualled the same as the Pensioners.	-	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	22 10 -	-	-	
- - -	5 - -		-	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	22 10 -	-	-	
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Rank of Officer.	His Name.	By whom Appointed.	How Appointed.	When Appointed.	Duration of Interest.	RECEIPT.				Other	
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2d Clerk.	Mr. Gwilt.	The Agent.	Nomination.	- - -	During pleasure.	150 — —	The Public.	None.	- - -	- - -	- - -
3d - D ^o -	Mr. Ricketts.	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	D ^o	100 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
4th - D ^o -	Mr. Willisford.	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	D ^o	100 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
5th - D ^o -	Mr. Ja ^s Ricketts.	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	D ^o	90 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
6th - D ^o -	Mr. Leake.	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	D ^o	80 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
7th - D ^o -	Mr. Halliday.	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	D ^o	80 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
Deputy in Scotland.	Mr. Hugh Broughton, and for two Clerks.	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	D ^o	130 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
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Deputy in Ireland.	Mr. Rich ^d Zouch.	The Board.	By a Warrant.	15 June 1811	D ^o	300 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
Deputy in Guernsey.	Mr. Ju ^s Champion.	The Agent.	Nomination.	- - -	D ^o	30 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
Deputy in Jersey.	Mr. Edw ^d Nicolle.	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	D ^o	30 — —	D ^o	D ^o	- - -	- - -	- - -
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There are 26 Nurses in the Hospital, appointed by the Governor, at a Salary of £. 10 per annum each ; viz.

2 to the Officers,
2 to the Light Horse,
16 to the Wards,
6 to the Infirmaryes.

Who are lodged in the Hospital, two in a room, which is furnished for them ; and have provisions the same as the Pensioners : they have likewise a gown and petticoat yearly, and are allowed 10s. each for sand ; are also allowed coals, candles, and soap. The six Infirmary Nurses have an addition of £. 2 per annum each to their salary, and are allowed £. 10. 5s. per annum for board wages, in lieu of diet. They have helpers to assist them in their duty, who are allowed £. 8 per annum each.

PAY of the Military Officers and Private Soldiers of the Hospital. The places of the latter are always filled up from the Out-Pensioners, the preference being generally given to the most aged and infirm.

	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
26 Captains - - - - - at 3 6 per week, for 52 weeks and one day, is	3	6		237	5	—
34 Light Horsemen - - - at 2 — per - D ^o - for - - D ^o	2	—		177	5	7
32 Serjeants - - - - - at 2 — per - D ^o - for - - D ^o	2	—		166	17	1 ¹ / ₂
48 Corporals & Drummers, at — 10 per - D ^o - for - - D ^o	—	10		104	5	8 ¹ / ₂
336 Private Men - - - - at — 8 per - D ^o - for - - D ^o	—	8		584	—	—
476 in the house, who are lodged, victualled, and clothed.				£. 1,269	13	5

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EMOLUMENTS.			From whence.	Total Receipt.	DISBURSEMENTS.			Total Disbursements.	Net Receipt.	Other Employments, Places or Pensions, under Government.	Their Annual Value.
In lieu of Governor's Table.	In lieu of Furniture, per annum	Board Wages.			Taxes.	Deputies and Clerks.	Contingencies				
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There are 16 Wards, and each Ward contains—

- 2 Serjeants.
- 2 Corporals.
- 1 Drummer.
- 21 Private Men.

26
16

416 Men in the Wards.

Two Wards make a Company, so there are in all Eight Companies; and to each Company a Captain, Lieutenant and Ensign, and two Officers to the Light Horse.

Appendix, No. 3.

Examination of GEORGE AUST, Esq. Secretary and Register of Chelsea Hospital; taken upon Oath on the 2d of March 1812.

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- Q. 1. DOES the Commission by which you were appointed Secretary and Register of Chelsea Hospital, particularly specify your duties, and fix your Salary?—A. It does not specify the duties nor the Salary; it is in the form of a Military Commission.
- Q. 2. Do you constantly reside in your Apartments in Chelsea Hospital?—A. Never in the Apartments allotted to the Secretary, but for many years I resided in a private house nearly adjoining to the Hospital.
- Q. 3. By whom are your Apartments occupied?—A. By one of the Chaplains, Mr. Yates.
- Q. 4. Does Mr. Yates pay you rent for these Apartments?—A. When Mr. Yates obtained the permission of the Board to occupy my Apartments, which were then empty, he assigned over to me the rent, which he received from Dr. Burney, the Organist of the Hospital, for the occupation of the Apartments belonging to the Chaplain, being £.30 per annum.
- Q. 5. Was the whole of this arrangement sanctioned by the Board?—A. The arrangement with regard to the transfer of Dr. Burney's rent by Mr. Yates to me, was, I believe, never notified to the Board, and no stipulation or order was made about it.
- Q. 6. Are there any other Apartments in the Hospital not occupied by the Officers to whom they are attached; or are there any Officers Apartments in the Hospital not occupied at all?—A. I do not think there are any that are not occupied by the Officers to whom they belong, but some of the Officers have also houses in town.
- Q. 7. Where is your present residence?—A. At Kensington, by the particular dispensation of the Board.
- Q. 8. What attendance at the Hospital do your duties as Secretary and Register require?—A. Always on the Board days, when the Commissioners meet, whether at the Hospital or in town, where the Boards are occasionally held; and at such times when the business requires my personal attendance at the Office, but with which I have always a daily communication.
- Q. 9. Who receives the Allowances of Coals and Candles allowed to you as Secretary and Register of the Hospital?—A. They are delivered to me, as well as my other Allowances, the same as if I actually resided in the Secretary's Apartments.
- Q. 10. What other Allowances are you speaking of?—A. The Allowance in lieu of Diet, and the Allowance in lieu of Furniture.
- Q. 11. Was not that Allowance in lieu of Diet to be paid only for such days as it should appear the Officers had actually resided in the Hospital?—A. Yes, as will be seen by a Minute of the Board of the 28th of November 1796. I only draw the Allowance during my residence at Kensington, to which my dispensation from the Board extends.
- Q. 12. Does the Minute of the Board dispensing with your residence in the Hospital, expressly at the same time direct that you should receive the Allowance for Diet whilst you were residing at Kensington?—A. It does.
- Q. 13. What is the date of that Minute?—A. I do not recollect the precise date, but it was about six or seven years ago. (a)
- Q. 14. Where is the Office of the Secretary and Register of the Hospital?—A. In the Hospital Building.
- Q. 15. Does any one reside in it?—A. The Chief Clerk has apartments in it, where he constantly resides.
- Q. 16. What number of rooms belong to the Office?—A. I cannot exactly state the number of rooms in the Office; it has lately been augmented.
- Q. 17. Are the charges in your Contingent Bill for Coals and Candles to the Office, for such articles as were actually consumed in the Office?—A. Yes.
- Q. 18. By whom are the Charges for such articles checked and allowed?—A. They are examined by the Chief Clerk, who has the general care of the interior of the Office.
- Q. 19. Are the Coals and Candles used in his own apartments, included in those Charges?—A. I believe not.
- Q. 20. With whom is your correspondence, for which so large a sum as £. 230 and upwards

wards is charged in the year 1810, under the head of Postage?—A. With all the Out-Pensioners, who exceed 24,000 in number, and with other persons in their behalf; also with the Veteran Battalions.

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Q. 21. On what occasions is Coach-hire, charged in the Contingent Bill?—A. Always when the Boards are held in Town, to carry the Books from and to Chelsea; also when going round twice a year to the different Hospitals, to pay Pensioners who are unable to attend at Chelsea.

Q. 22. What number of Newspapers are allowed for the Board-room and your Office, for which we find above £. 25 charged in the year 1810?—A. I do not now recollect, but every allowance of that kind was abolished upwards of a year ago.

Q. 23. On what account was that payment made to a Justice of the Peace, which we see charged in your Contingent Bill for 1803?—A. I conceive that must have been paid to the Magistrate who attended to attest the Soldiers upon their examination before the Board, and who has since been allowed a stated salary of £. 100 per annum, in lieu of his former charges.

Q. 24. Has there been any increase of your Salary and Emoluments since the year 1797?—A. None.

Q. 25. Do you, or does any one in the Office now receive any Fees?—A. None but the Second Clerk, as stated in the Account of the Establishment in January 1811, now before this Board.

Q. 26. Is there any Establishment of the Officers, with their Salaries and Allowances, for Chelsea Hospital, sanctioned by His Majesty, or other Authority?—A. There have been frequent Warrants from His Majesty for Salaries to particular Officers, payable out of the Poundage Fund reserved for His Majesty's disposal by the Act of 28 Geo. II.; but I do not know of any general Establishment particularly sanctioned by His Majesty till the last year. (b)

Q. 27. Under what authority then, have increases been made to the Salaries and Emoluments of the Officers of the Hospital, other than those expressed in the Warrants alluded to?—A. I conceive under the general authority with which the Commissioners were invested by their original Commission and Instructions from His Majesty, in the years 1761 and 1762.

Q. 28. Was it under the authority of the Commissioners alone, that those allowances were made to you, and to the Clerks in your Office, for the purpose of replacing the sums deducted from your several Salaries for the use of the Civil List, which appear to be charged in your Contingent Bill?—A. I do not know any other authority.

Q. 29. When was the last increase made to the Salaries of the Clerks in your Office?—A. I think about six years ago.

Q. 30. Did the Minute of the Board, directing this addition, direct also that an allowance should be made to them, in lieu of the deduction which should be made for the use of the Civil List?—A. Not being able to refer to the Minutes, I do not recollect that it contained the expression that it should be free of deduction; but I am persuaded it was the sense of the Board that it should be so, in order to put it on the same footing as their previous Salaries. (c)

Q. 31. Where, and how often are Boards regularly held?—A. At least once a month, at Chelsea, when the business is for the examination of Soldiers; but they have been occasionally held in Town on special affairs.

Q. 32. Where are they held in Town?—A. They have been lately held at the house of the Paymaster General.

Q. 33. What Commissioners usually attend the Board?—A. There are seven acting Commissioners, and there must be three for the general business; in general more than three attend; and in matters relating to Finance, the Board seldom proceed without the presence of the Paymaster General, who is considered as the President.

Q. 34. Does it appear on the Minutes of the Board, what Commissioners have actually attended the meeting?—A. The Minutes always state the names of the Commissioners present at every Board.

Q. 35. Do you regularly attend the Boards?—A. I have been very seldom absent during the sixteen years I have held my present office.

Q. 36. Who prepares the Estimates for the service of the Hospital, which are laid before Parliament?—A. They are prepared in my office, under the direction of the Paymaster General.

Q. 37. Are these Estimates laid before a Board for their consideration?—A. Not regularly, but whenever it is judged necessary by the Paymaster General, on account of any doubts or difficulties that may occur.

Q. 38. Has it been usual to state in those Estimates the Balances in the hands of the Deputy Treasurer?—A. I do not know of any instance of it.

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Q. 39. Has there been any instance of the amount of the Poundage Fund remaining in the Deputy Treasurer's hands, being stated in the Estimates?—A. There have been frequent instances of a certain portion of that Fund being stated in the Estimates, as applicable to the general service of the Hospital.

Q. 40. Has it been usual to state in those Estimates, the charges upon the Poundage Fund?—A. The charges upon the Poundage Fund, have been also frequently stated in the Estimates.

Q. 41. What are the present charges on that Fund?—A. The present charges on that Fund, are the Annuitants of the late 1st and 2d Troops of Horse Guards; twenty-five pounds per annum to the Widow of the late Butler of the Hospital, and £. 70 in addition to money collected at the altar, for the relief of the Widows of In-Pensioners. There were two Salaries, one of £. 1,000 per annum to the Agent of Out-Pensioners, and one of £. 600 per annum to the Deputy Treasurer, formerly paid out of this Fund; but being now put upon the general Establishment, it is understood by the Auditors that those Grants are no longer to be acted upon. (d)

Q. 42. If the remaining charges on this Fund, were included in the Contingencies of the Hospital, would any inconvenience arise, if the Poundage Fund were entirely put an end to?—A. I conceive that no inconvenience could arise as to the payment of those charges in that way; but by the abolition of the Poundage Fund (which I presume could only be done by the repeal of the Act of the 28th of George the 2d, under the authority of which, the deduction has hitherto been made) the whole of the Out-Pensions would receive an augmentation of £. 5 per cent., and the Public would consequently be deprived of the benefit of that Fund, which has always been considered in one shape or another as applicable to the general expenses of the Hospital.

Q. 43. Under what authority have payments been made out of this Fund for the general Expenses of the Hospital?—A. They can only be made under the authority of His Majesty's Warrants.

Q. 44. Have Warrants been generally obtained, previously to the application of the Money?—A. No; the amount is taken at the discretion of the Board, in reduction of the Estimates laid before Parliament, and His Majesty's Warrant is afterwards obtained, authorizing the application of the Money.

Q. 45. When the Board direct payments to be made out of this Fund, do their Warrants express the same?—A. I think not; their Warrants do not express out of what Fund such payments are to be made, but they direct the payments to be made out of any Monies in the Deputy Treasurer's hands, applicable to the service of the Hospital.

Q. 46. How then can it be distinguished, what Sums have been actually paid out of this Fund?—A. I am not able to answer that Question; it is in the Department of the Deputy Treasurer.

Q. 47. If the Warrants under the authority of which the Deputy Treasurer makes his payments, do not express out of what Fund they are to be made, how can he know what Fund to debit with them?—A. I cannot answer that Question, for I do not know his manner of making up his Accounts, never having seen them.

Q. 48. Do you prepare the Requisitions of the Board to the Paymaster General, for issues of Money to the Deputy Treasurer of the Hospital?—A. Yes.

Q. 49. Do you at those times state to the Board what is the amount of the Balance in the hands of the Deputy Treasurer?—A. No; it has not been usual to state the Deputy Treasurer's Balances to the Board.

Q. 50. Do you know, whether the Board is regularly informed, at stated periods, of the Balances in the Deputy Treasurer's hands?—A. I do not think that the Board is regularly informed as to these Balances, but there is a general communication between the Paymaster General and the Deputy Treasurer, to decide upon what Sum should be required from the Treasury, in addition to the Balance in the Deputy Treasurer's hands, to make the requisite payments.

Q. 51. How are Provisions, Coals, and the other Articles of consumption procured for the use of the Hospital?—A. They are furnished by Annual Contract, after public notice.

Q. 52. Are the Bills for the expenses of the Hospital, considered by the Board, before they are paid?—A. They are examined and certified in the first instance by the Comptroller and the Steward of the Hospital, and they are afterwards particularly examined by the Board, previously to their signing the Warrants for payment.

Q. 53. Are the Accounts of the Deputy Treasurer for the expenses of the Hospital, laid before the Board?—A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. 54. Does Mr. Soane, the Clerk of the Works, receive any allowance or per-centage beyond his Salary?—A. None; there was a per-centage paid formerly to the Clerk

Clerk of the Works, which was done away at the time the present Salary was fixed; some allowance however has lately been made to Mr. Soane for extra work. *Mr. Aust.*

Mr. AUST having attended on the 4th of March 1812, desired to amend his Answer to the 41st Question, as follows:

- A. 41. (d) Upon referring to His Majesty's Warrant for the New Establishment, dated the 16th April 1810, it appears that these two payments were annulled.

Mr. AUST also gave in the following Papers:

- A. 26. (b) His Majesty's Warrant, dated 16th April 1810, for the Establishment of Chelsea Hospital. (B.)
 A. 13. (a) Extract from the Minutes of the Chelsea Board, dated 1st April 1805. (A.)
 A. 30. (c) D° - - - - D° - - - - - dated 3d February 1806. (C.)

Further Examination of GEORGE AUST, Esq. 4th March 1812.

- Q. 55. Who directs any Repairs or Alterations of the Buildings belonging to the Hospital?
 —A. I believe the ordinary and common repairs are directed and executed by the Clerk of the Works; but in cases of Alterations, Additions, or extensive Repairs, the Orders of the Board are always previously taken, and the Estimates of the Expense delivered in by the Clerk of the Works for their consideration.

- Q. 56. Does the Governor of the Hospital ever direct any Expense on his sole authority?—A. Never.

- Q. 57. Who checks the days of residence, which is to entitle the Officers to Diet-money?
 —A. In consequence of the Minute of the 28th November 1796, the Governor regulated that each Officer should deliver in to the Adjutant, a Certificate upon honour, of the number of nights such Officer slept in the Hospital in each Quarter; from which Certificates the Account is made of the Diet-money to which each Officer is entitled.

- Q. 58. Do you know to what Apartments or Rooms in the Hospital, Upholstery Articles were supplied, for which there is a charge in the Account of the Expenditure of the Hospital for the year 1810, of £. 563. 2s. 4d.?—A. I cannot answer that Question without an inspection of the Bills, but the Comptroller can answer it.

- Q. 59. On what occasion were those Wax-lights used, for which there is a charge in the same Account, of £. 45, for the year 1810?—A. I find by a Minute of the 26th January 1781, that there was an additional allowance of 100lb. of Wax Candles to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, and probably this charge is upon that account.

- Q. 60. When, and of whom was that Land purchased, on which the Infirmary belonging to the Hospital is now erecting?—A. It was purchased of the Crown about two years ago.

- Q. 61. When was a Grant of part of that Land, made to Colonel Gordon?—A. No part of the Land purchased by the Hospital, has been granted to Colonel Gordon; his Grant was prior to the purchase made by the Hospital.

- Q. 62. Out of what Fund was the Purchase-money for the Hospital Land paid, as well as the Expense of the Infirmary now erecting?—A. I believe that it was a resolution of the Board, to pay the Purchase-money out of the Poundage Fund, but I think that business has not yet been completed; and with regard to the Expense of the New Infirmary, it was the intention to defray it out of the same Fund, or from the unclaimed shares of Prize Money received by the Deputy Treasurer for the use of the Hospital.

- Q. 63. What is the nature of your Appointment as Commissary General of Musters?
 —A. I am appointed by Patent under the Great Seal; the business is, I conceive, the superintendence of the Musters of the Army upon the British Establishment, with the exception of such part as is employed on Foreign Service; also the custody of the Muster Rolls, the personal mustering, by myself or by the Deputy Commissary General of Musters, of the Horse and Foot Guards, the Military Force in the Tower and at Chelsea Hospital, together with the necessary correspondence of the Department, in answering enquiries and other matters.

- Q. 64. What is meant by the words "Superintendence of the Musters of the Army?"
 —A. I conceive that by my Patent my general attention is drawn to the subject of such Musters, which has occasioned frequent correspondence with the

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Secretary at War, respecting plans for the improvement of the Muster Rolls, and for facilitating the Answers to the daily enquiries which are made at my Office by the relatives of Soldiers, as well as by discharged Soldiers, to ascertain their services upon their examination before the Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital, for which purpose I was authorized some time since to open Alphabetical Regimental Registers, formed from the Muster Rolls, and to appoint additional Clerks to the Establishment for the execution of that business.

Q. 65. Do you continue to receive the same Salary and Fees as you received when the return of the Establishment of your Office was made to the Finance Committee of the House of Commons, in June 1798?—A. The Salary has undergone no variation since, but the annual average of the Fees has been considerably less than is there stated, perhaps from six to seven hundred pounds a year; the average profits of the Office may be taken at about £. 2,000 a year.

Q. 66. Has there been any alteration made in the duties of the Office, since Mr. Windham's Letter to you, dated the 29th March 1798, which is published in the Appendix to the 36th Report of the Select Committee on Finance?—A. Not any.

Q. 67. What is the present Establishment of the Office of the Commissary General of Musters?—A. A Deputy Commissary General, established by His Majesty's Commission; a Chief Clerk, who acts as Assistant Commissary; and five other Clerks.

Q. 68. What is the amount of the Salaries and the Emoluments of the persons you have named; and of the Contingent Expenses of the Office of Musters?—A. I will send an Account of them to the Board.

Q. 69. To whom is an Account rendered of these Expenses?—A. I believe no Account is rendered, as the several Charges are limited.

Q. 70. How is Money procured to pay the Salaries and Expenses of your Office?—A. By His Majesty's Warrant, and Estimate having been previously voted by Parliament.

Q. 71. Do you know by what authority the Expenses of your Office are limited?—A. I do not recollect at present, but I will send the information to the Board.

(Signed) *Sam. C. Cox.*
Giles Templeman.
Henry Peters.
Cha. Bosanquet.
L. Bradshaw.

(Signed) G. AUST.

Appendix, No. 3. (A.)

[Referred to in the Answer to Question 13.]

Extract MINUTE of Board held at Chelsea Hospital on Monday the 1st of April 1805.

THE Secretary represented to the Board, that it would be highly convenient to him to reside at Kensington, from whence he performs the daily Duties of his Office, in the same manner as if he was resident in the College; and requesting he might receive the Allowance in lieu of Diet, as if he resided at Chelsea.

Approved, and Ordered that the said Allowance be granted to him for such days only as he shall actually reside at Kensington, to be certified conformably to the existing Regulations.

Appendix, No. 3. (B.)

WARRANT for a New Establishment of Chelsea Hospital.

GEORGE R.

OUR will and pleasure is, that this Establishment for the Officers and Servants, and for the Military Officers and Soldiers entertained in and belonging to Our Royal Hospital near Chelsea, in our County of Middlesex, do commence and take place from the 25th day of December 1809, in the fiftieth year of Our reign; and these are to annul and make void all Grants of Offices and Pensions whatsoever not contained in this Establishment, and to direct

direct that no new charge be added thereunto, without being first communicated to Our High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of Our Treasury for the time being.

									Per Annum.		
									£.	s.	d.
Governor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	—	—
Lieutenant Governor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	—	—
Major	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	—	—
First Chaplain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130	—	—
Second Chaplain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130	—	—
Physician	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	355	—	—
Secretary and Register	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	—	—
Deputy Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	736	10	—
Comptroller	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	—	—
Steward	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	—	—
Surgeon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000	—	—
Apothecary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	—	—
Clerk of the Works	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	220	—	—
Adjutant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	165	—	—
Lamp-lighter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	—	—
Surgeon's Deputy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	150	—	—
Assistant Surgeon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120	—	—
Comptroller of the Coal-yard and Servant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	—	—
Wardrobe-keeper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	—	—
Master Cook	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90	—	—
Second Cook	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80	—	—
Three Under-Cooks :											
First	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	—	—
Second	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	—	—
Third	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	—	—
Master Butler and Servants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108	—	—
Barber and Servants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70	—	—
Sculleryman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	—	—
Two Under-Seullerymen :											
First	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	—	—
Second	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	—	—
Sexton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	—	—
Usher of the Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	—	—
Porter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	—	—
Canal-keeper and Turncock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	—	—
Mr. Brett, late Turncock, on account of his long service and great age	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	since dead	20	—	—
Gardener	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55	—	—
Messenger	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	—	—
Two Sweepers:											
First	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	—	—
Second	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	—	—
Organist	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	—	—
Organ-tuner	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	—	—
Clock-keeper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	—	—
Keeping the Water Engine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	—	—
Rector of Chelsea, for Tythes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	9	—
Vicar of Kensington, for ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	—	—
Housekeeper (for self and Servants)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95	—	—
26 Matrons, at £.10 per annum each	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	260	—	—
6 Infirmary Matrons, at £.2 per annum each	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	—	—
Military Officers and Soldiers:											
26 Officers, at 3s. 6d. per week, for 52 weeeeks and one day	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	237	5	—
34 Light Horsemen, at 2s. ditto, for ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	177	5	7
32 Serjeants - - at 2s. ditto, for ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	166	17	—
48 Corporals and Drummers, at 10d. ditto, for ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	104	4	5
336 Private Men - - - at 8d. ditto, for ditto	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	583	19	6
Serjeant Major, in addition to his Pay at 6d. per day	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2	6
Addition to two Corporals of the Light Horse, at 1s. per week each	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4	3½
Secretary's Office	{ First Clerk								300	—	—
	{ Second Clerk								250	—	—
	{ Third Clerk								110	—	—
	{ Fourth Clerk								110	—	—
Magistrate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	—	—

	Per Annum.		
	£.	s.	d.
Agent of Out-Pensioners - - - - -	750	—	—
First Clerk - - - - -	200	—	—
Ditto, for performing the duty formerly executed at the Excise Office } - - - - -	160	—	—
Second Clerk - - - - -	150	—	—
Third and Fourth Clerks, £.100 each - - - - -	200	—	—
Fifth Clerk - - - - -	90	—	—
Sixth and Seventh Clerk, £.80 each - - - - -	160	—	—
Assistant Adjutant - - - - -	100	—	—
The Daughters of the late Adjutant, a Pension - - - - -	50	—	—
Cellar-man - - - - -	20	—	—
	£. 10,447	17	3½

Amounting in the whole to the sum of ten thousand four hundred and forty-seven pounds seventeen shillings and three-pence halfpenny.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 16th day of April 1810, in the fiftieth year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
(Signed)

*Sp. Perceval,
W. Brodrick,
S. Barne.*

Appendix, No. 3. (C.)

[Referred to in the Answer to Question 30.]

Extract MINUTE of Board held at Chelsea Hospital on Monday the 3d of February 1806.

READ a Memorial from the four Clerks in the Secretary's Office, praying an increase of their Salaries.

Let their Salaries, from Christmas last, be as follows ; viz.

1st Clerk - - - £. 200.	After 10 years, £. 250.	After 20 years, £. 300 per annum.
2d D ^o - - - - 150.	D ^o - 10 D ^o - - 200.	D ^o - 20 D ^o - - 250 D ^o -
3d and 4th D ^o - - 100.	D ^o - 5 D ^o - - 110.	D ^o - 10 D ^o - - 120; and after 20 years - 150.

Mr. Aust suggested that, from the length of the service of the 1st Clerk, then 29 years, and the 2d, 22 years, it may be reasonable that their augmentation should have a retrospect of one year, which it may perhaps be fit to comply with :

Which was approved by the Board the 3d of March 1806.

N. B. The deduction of one shilling and sixpence in the pound on the Salaries, as settled by the Board the 24th of December 1795, was ordered by the Board, 20th June 1796, to be charged in the Secretary's Contingent Bill.

Appendix, No. 4.

Examination of JOSEPH LYNN, Esq. First Clerk in the Office of the Secretary of Chelsea Hospital ; taken upon Oath on the 24th of March 1812.

Mr. Lynn.

Q. 1. HOW long have you been employed in the Secretary's Office at Chelsea Hospital ?
—A. Thirty-five years in July next, and nearly twenty-six years as Chief Clerk.

Q. 2. Had you ever served in the Army ?—A. I hold a Commission in an Independent Company of Invalids, now upon the retired List.

Q. 3. Have you any Emoluments arising from your situation of Chief Clerk in the Secretary's Office, beyond the Salary of £.300 a year granted on the Establishment of the Hospital authorized by His Majesty's Warrant of the 16th of April 1810?—A. There are some trifling Fees upon the appointment of Warrant Officers and Tradesmen, which I should suppose, upon an average, do not amount to more than two or three guineas a year ; I have no other Emoluments.

Q. 4. Are you now allowed the Sums deducted from your Salary for the use of the Civil List?—A. Yes.

Q. 5. Where

- Q. 5. Where do you reside?—A. In an Apartment adjoining the Office, and which forms a part of the Office.
- Q. 6. Under what authority do you occupy that Apartment?—A. By the authority of the Board, it having been formerly the Apartment belonging to the second Butler, upon whose demise the place of second Butler was abolished, and the Apartment was then ordered to be added to the Secretary's Office, and to form a part thereof, and I was allowed to occupy the same.
- Q. 7. Do you use the Coals and Candles in that Apartment, which are supplied for the Secretary's Office?—A. I buy Coals and Candles for my own use, but they are mixed with those allowed for the Office.
- Q. 8. What number of Fires are kept in your Apartment?—A. In general two, and occasionally a third.
- Q. 9. What number of Fires are kept up in the Office Apartments?—A. Four constantly during the winter months, and sometimes a fifth.
- Q. 10. Is there a regular allowance of Coals and Candles for the Secretary's Office?—A. There is a regular allowance of money to furnish the Office with Coals and Candles; I believe it is thirty-five pounds a year for Coals, and eighteen pounds a year for Candles: these allowances include fire-wood, towels, soap, sand, and other articles used for keeping the Office clean.
- Q. 11. When were the Allowances for these purposes fixed at those sums?—A. About the year 1806, when an augmentation of the Pensions took place.
- Q. 12. Is there any Minute of the Board authorizing these sums?—A. There is a Minute of the Board, authorizing the Secretary to get additional assistance, in consequence of the additional duty arising from the augmentation of the Pensions, but there is no precise Minute authorizing these particular sums; the increase of business has made additional Fires necessary.
- Q. 13. If no part of the Coals or Candles were consumed in your own Apartment, would the sums which you say are allowed to supply the Office with those Articles, be, in your opinion, sufficient for the purpose?—A. I think the Money allowed is fairly expended for the use of the Office, especially when I consider the difference I pay on my own account.
- Q. 14. Is there an Office-keeper and a Messenger attached to the Office?—A. There is an Office-keeper attached to the Office, and a person is employed occasionally as a Messenger.
- Q. 15. Has the Office-keeper a regular Salary?—A. He has fifty pounds a year.
- Q. 16. Where does he reside?—A. In the neighbourhood, close by.
- Q. 17. Who cleans the Office Apartments?—A. My servant, for which I charge sixpence a day.
- Q. 18. If a Messenger is only employed occasionally, how does it happen that the charge in the Secretary's Contingent Bill for the year 1810, for the Office-keeper and Messenger, should have varied ten shillings only on upwards of thirty-three pounds in each half year?—A. The charge is made on an average calculation, the actual expense being nearly the same in each half-year.
- Q. 19. Is there a regular account kept in the Office, of the Postage paid for Letters?—A. There is.
- Q. 20. Is the charge in the Secretary's half-year's Contingent Bill for the Postage of Letters, the amount of sums actually paid on that account?—A. It is.
- Q. 21. Is the sum charged in the Contingent Bill for Coach-hire and the other expenses, enumerated in that item in the Contingent Bill, the amount of sums actually paid on those several accounts?—A. They are, as nearly as can be.
- Q. 22. Whose duty is it to keep the account of the Expenses of the Secretary's Office?—A. I generally keep it myself, because I advance all the money.
- Q. 23. By whom is the Contingent Bill made out and certified?—A. I generally make it out, and the Secretary signs it.
- Q. 24. Previously to the Stationery wanted for the Officers of the Hospital being procured from the Stationery Office, in what manner was it obtained?—A. It was obtained from Mr. Winchester, in the Strand, and I apprehend on written requisitions by the different Officers; this at least was the practice in our Office.
- Q. 25. Was there at that time any check on the quantity or description of the Articles procured from Mr. Winchester upon these Orders?—A. I believe not.
- Q. 26. By whom were Mr. Winchester's Bills examined, before they were laid before the Board, for the purpose of obtaining Warrants for the payment of them?—A. By the Comptroller.

Mr. Lynn.

Q. 27. We understand that the Officers requisitions for Stationery must now be laid before the Secretary, previously to their being transmitted to the Stationery Office; what proceeding is had with them in his Office?—A. To see that the requisitions are moderate in themselves, and that no improper article is asked for; and in either case, the Secretary is to report the same to the Board for their direction and decision thereupon. The Officer's requisition is filed in the Secretary's Office, and if he deems the demand a proper one, he gives the usual Order upon the Stationery Office.

Q. 28. Does each Officer receive the Stationery himself from the Stationery Office?—

A. It goes immediately from the Stationery Office to each individual Officer, who is required to give a receipt for the same.

Q. 29. Do the requisitions of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor for Stationery, pass through the Secretary's hands?—A. They do not; they give their own Orders; but they, and all the other Officers who get Stationery, will in future be required to sign the Quarterly Bills. (A.)

Q. 30. What was the last Establishment of Chelsea Hospital, previously to that authorized by His Majesty's Warrant of the 16th of April 1810?—A. That of the 15th of June 1774.

Q. 31. What was the allowance of Candles to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor under that Establishment?—A. I think 200 pounds each.

Q. 32. Under what authority have the Governor and Lieutenant Governor received 300 lbs weight of Tallow Candles each, and 100 pounds of Wax Candles each in every year?—A. By an Order of the Board granting such addition, a Copy of which I will furnish. (B.)

Q. 33. Do you know whether the expense of the Lamps used in the houses of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, is charged to the funds of the Hospital?—A. I apprehend this Question can be better answered by the Steward.

Q. 34. Do you generally attend the meetings of the Board?—A. Yes.

Q. 35. At what times do the Clerks attend in the Secretary's Office?—A. From ten o'clock till three, or longer if occasion requires.

Q. 36. Are they constantly employed?—A. Daily and constantly.

Q. 37. Is any allowance ever made to them for extra work?—A. There was an allowance for extra work on the occasion of the augmentation of the Pensions in 1806, but none since.

(Signed)

*Giles Templeman,
Chas. Bosanquet,
B. C. Stephenson.*

(Signed)

JOSEPH LYNN.

Appendix, No. 4. (A.)

[Referred to in the Answer to Question 29]

Extract MINUTE of Board, 6th February 1812.

Ordered, THAT each Officer do sign his Quarterly Account for Stationery, previously to the Bills being laid before the Board.

Appendix, No. 4. (B.)

[Referred to in the Answer to Question 32.]

Extract MINUTE of Board, 5th December 1780.

Ordered, THAT 200 pounds of Tallow Candles be added to the present allowance of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

Extract MINUTE of Board, 26th January 1781.

Ordered, THAT 200 pounds of additional Candles allowed to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor at the last Board, be Wax Candles, 100 pounds to each.

Appendix, No. 5.

The CONTINGENT BILL of the Secretary and Register of the ROYAL HOSPITAL at Chelsea, from the 25th December 1809 to the 24th December 1810.

	From 25 Dec. 1809 to 24 June 1810.	From 25 June to 24 Dec. 1810.
Allowed for the 12d. deduction taken on the Secretary's Salary of £. 100 per annum per Establishment, for the use of the Civil List - - - - -	£. s. d. 2 10 —	£. s. d. 2 10 —
Ditto - for the 6d. deduction upon Ditto - - - - -	1 5 —	1 5 —
Ditto - for the 12d. deduction on the sum of £. 400 per annum to the Secretary, per Board Warrant - - - - -	10 — —	10 — —
Ditto - for the 12s. 6d. deduction taken on the 1st Clerk's Salary of £. 300 per annum, per Board Warrant - - - - -	11 5 —	11 5 —
Ditto - for Ditto upon the 2d Clerk's Salary of £. 250 per annum, per ditto - - - - -	9 7 6	9 7 6
Ditto - for Ditto upon the two junior Clerks Salary of £. 110 per annum each, per ditto - - - - -	8 5 —	8 5 —
Paid for Coals and Candles, &c. to the Office - - - - -	29 15 2	28 6 9
Paid Office-keeper and Messenger - - - - -	33 6 —	33 17 —
Paid Postage of Letters - - - - -	116 4 6	115 3 2
Paid Coach-hire, going round to the Commissioners, Printers, sick and lame Pensioners, and sundry Expenses, Office cleaning - - - - -	15 11 6	24 4 —
Paid for Newspapers to the Board-room and Office - - - - -	16 18 —	8 9 —
		21 Sep. inclusive.
Paid five Assistant Clerks, and an occasional one, on account of the late Acts of Parliament for augmenting the Pensions - - - - -	317 16 —	318 10 —
£.	572 3 8	571 2 5

Appendix, No. 5. (A.)

The CONTINGENT BILL of John Wilson, Esq. Deputy Treasurer of CHELSEA HOSPITAL, for one year; from the 25th December 1809 to the 24th December 1810.

	From 25 Dec. 1809 to 24 June 1810.	From 25 June to 24 Dec. 1810.
To an Allowance for Candles, Rubbers, &c. - - - - -	£. s. d. 5 12 6	£. s. d. 5 12 6
To Ditto - for Coals - - - - -	15 5 —	15 5 —
To Ditto - for Postage of Letters, and other incidental expenses - - - - -	4 19 6	5 2 —
To Ditto - for Office cleaning - - - - -	5 — —	5 — —
To Ditto - for Newspapers - - - - -	5 14 —	4 18 10
To Ditto - for Coach-hire to the Bank of England, attending the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery, and on other occasions - - - - -	7 10 —	7 10 —
To paid Christmas Gratuities to Clerks in the Bank of England - - - - -	- - -	2 2 —
To paid Mr. Richardson, per order of the Board, for attendance on Colonel Mathews and myself, in overlooking and estimating the Ranelagh Estate - - - - -	- - -	10 10 —
£.	44 1 —	56 — 4

Appendix, No. 6.

An ACCOUNT of every INCREASE and DIMINUTION of Salaries on the Establishment of the
ROYAL HOSPITAL at Chelsea, since 1797, with the occasion of the same.

Rank of Officer.	Since 1797.		Occasion of Increase or Diminution.
	Increase.	Diminution.	
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
Major - - - - -	50 - - -	- - -	His former Pay not being considered adequate to his rank and the duties of his office.
Assistant Adjutant - - -	100 - - -	- - -	In consequence of the great age and infirmities of the Adjutant.
First Chaplain - - -	30 - - -	- - -	His former Pay not being considered adequate to his duties.
Second Chaplain - - -	30 - - -	- - -	- - D°
Physician - - - - -	265 - - -	- - -	His former Pay not being considered adequate to his rank and the duties of his office.
First Clerk - - - - -	{ £. 50; and in 1805 £. 75 more, his service being then 28 years. }	{ - - - }	{ In consequence of his Salary not being considered adequate to his duties and long service. }
Second Clerk - - - - -	{ £. 40; and in 1805, £. 70 more, his service being then 22 years. }	{ - - - }	{ - - D° }
Third Clerk - - - - -	110 - - -	- - -	In consequence of the very great increase of business, by the reduction of the Army in 1802.
Fourth Clerk - - - - -	110 - - -	- - -	- - D°
Comptroller - - - - -	100 - - -	- - -	His former Salary not being considered adequate to his rank and the duties of his office.
Steward - - - - -	100 - - -	- - -	- - D°
Surgeon's Deputy - - -	100 - - -	- - -	His Pay not being adequate to his duties.
Assistant Surgeon - - -	50 - - -	- - -	- - D°
Wardrobe-keeper - - -	30 - - -	- - -	In lieu of Perquisites.
Whitster - - - - -	85 - - -	- - -	On account of the great increase in his expenses.
Comptroller of the Coal-yard, and Servants - - -	10 - - -	- - -	His Pay not being adequate to his duty.
Master Cook - - - - -	50 - - -	- - -	In lieu of Perquisites.
Second Cook - - - - -	50 - - -	- - -	- - D°
First Under-Cook - - -	12 10 - - }	{ - - - }	{ In lieu of Perquisites, and their Salaries not being adequate to their support. }
Second Under-Cook - - -	12 10 - - }		
Third Under-Cook - - -	12 10 - - }		
Master Butler, and Servants.	27 - - -	- - -	£. 12 per annum, for looking after the Board-room, and £. 15 per annum, his former Pay not being considered adequate to his support.

(continued.)

Rank of Officer.	Since 1797.		Occasion of Increase or Diminution.
	Increase.	Diminution.	
	£. s. d. ea. 7 10 —	£. s. d. — — —	
Two Under-Scullerymen -			Their Salaries not being adequate to their support.
Sexton - - - -	6 — —	- - -	In consideration of his duty.
Canal-keeper and Turncock	1 — —	10 — —	Increased by a new appointment, and reduced by the superannuation of Mr. Brett, being, from his great age and infirmities, incapable of doing his duty. Lately deceased.
Gardener - - - -	35 — —	- - -	In consideration of his duty, and the former allowance not being adequate to his support.
First Sweeper - - -	7 10 —	- - -	} Their Salaries being inadequate to their support.
Second Sweeper - - -	7 10 —	- - -	
Keeping the Organ in order	6 — —	- - -	The former allowance not thought adequate to the duty.
Housekeeper - - -	40 — —	- - -	Salary not adequate to the duty, and to pay Assistants for preparing and serving provisions to the sick at the Infirmarys and their wards.
26 Nurses - - - -	2 — — per annum each.	- - -	The former Allowance not being adequate to their duty.
Agent to the Out-Pensioners	- - -	200 — —	In the year 1797, the Agent to the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea Hospital, was allowed £. 1,000 per annum, and one shilling per man, paid at Chelsea, Edinburgh, and Dublin. He employed in his office at Chelsea, and at the Excise Office, three Clerks, and occasionally two others; also a Deputy at Edinburgh, and one in Dublin, all of whom he paid out of his before-mentioned allowances; but in the year 1806, it became necessary to add four more Clerks, to be employed at Chelsea, from the very great increase of business in his department, occasioned by the Act of Parliament passed in the 46th year of the reign of His present Majesty, granting allowances to Out-Pensioners at various rates, agreeably to their times of service or disability, from 5d. to 3s. 6d. per day, increasing one halfpenny per day, from the rate of 1s. to the highest allowance. This addition of Clerks was unavoidable, from the numerous computations of the said rates, not only for regular half-years, but also broken times within the half-years. And the Lords Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital having taken this very great increase of expenses in the Agent's Office into consideration, were pleased, in the year 1808, to grant to him (the Agent) the full amount of all expenses incurred in that year, and in future; at the same time reducing his own allowance to £. 750 per annum, from which is deducted 1s. 6d. in the pound; and also abolishing the allowance of 1s. per man, paid at Chelsea, Edinburgh, and Dublin.
Now 12 Deputies and Clerks, and occasional ones -	1,155 — —	- - -	

Appendix, No. 7.

A RETURN of all such Persons on the Establishment of CHELSEA HOSPITAL, who have not served in the Army; also, a Return of the Number of Rooms inhabited by each Officer of Chelsea Hospital; and stating to what extent the same are furnished at the Expense of that Establishment.

Rank of Officer.	N A M E.	If served in the Army or not.	Number of Rooms inhabited by each Officer.
Governor - -	The Right Hon. Sir David Dundas, K. B.	A General Officer in the Army - - -	Ground Floor, 2 Rooms. Second Floor, 2 Rooms. Third Floor, 4 Rooms, with 2 small Bed Chambers, 4 Closets, Kitchen in the half sunk story, and Garret Rooms for Servants.
Lieut. Governor -	Samuel Hulse, esq. - -	Ditto - - -	Ground Floor, 3 Rooms, and 1 Passage Room. Second D° - 6 D° - and 1 D°. Kitchen, Scullery, Servants Hall, and Housekeeper's Room, of small dimensions.
Major - -	Lieut. Col. R. Matthews -	Served 35 years in the Army; and since, 13 years in a Military situation - - -	Four Rooms, and a Kitchen with detached Laundry and Wash-house.
Adjutant - -	Capt. Geo. Acklom - -	Has been in the Army ever since 1750 - - -	Ground Floor, 2 Rooms, 2 Bed Chambers, 2 Garrets, Kitchen, and Back Kitchen.
Assistant D° -	Capt. Duke - - -	Aide-de-Camp to His R. H. the Duke of Cambridge	No Apartments, Furniture, or Allowance in lieu thereof, as Assistant Adjutant.
First Chaplain -	Rev. W ^m Haggitt - -	Chaplain to the late Commander in Chief - -	Two Parlours and a Study; three Bed Rooms, and 2 dark Closets for Servants, with a Kitchen.
Second D° - -	Rev. R ^d Yates - - -	Never served in the Army	Two Parlours, 2 Bed Rooms, a small Kitchen with 2 or 3 Closets.
Physician - -	D ^r B. Moseley - - -	Served in the Army previous to his appointment to this Establishment -	A Parlour, Sitting Room, 2 Bed Rooms, and a Kitchen; Closets in the passage for his Servants to sleep.
Secretary and Registrar - - }	Geo. Aust, Esq. - - -	Commissary General of Musters - - -	Ground Floor, 2 Rooms; Second Floor, 4 Rooms; 4 small Garrets in the Roof, a Kitchen and Scullery.
First Clerk in Secretary's Office	Joseph Lynn - - -	A Subaltern Officer in the late Invalids - - -	Apartments attached to the Office; 3 small Rooms, a Closet, Kitchen and Scullery under ground; not furnished at the expense of the Establishment, or any allowance in lieu thereof.
Second D° - -	Geo. Feagan - - -	Served in the Militia in Jamaica 6 years, during the insurrection of the Negroes - - -	No Apartments, or allowance in lieu thereof.
Junior Clerks - {	Rich ^d Revell - - -	Never served in the Army D°, except serving 10 years in Volunteer Corps as an Officer - - -	
	Eustace Danby - - -		
Deputy Treasurer	John Wilson, esq. - -	Captain in the 50th Regiment, &c. - - -	Ground Floor, 2 Rooms and a small one. Second D° - - 3 D° - and 5 small Rooms in the Attics; Kitchen and Offices below for Servants.
Comptroller -	Loftus Nunn, esq. - -	Captain in the Army, &c.	Ground Floor, 4 Rooms, 2 Bed Rooms, 2 Garrets; Kitchen and Wash-house under ground.
Steward - -	Valentine Fowler, esq. -	Never served in the Army	Ground Floor, 2 Rooms, and a small Bed-room, 2 Garrets; a Kitchen, and Scullery under ground.
Surgeon - -	Tho ^s Keate, esq. - - -	Served in the Army from the year 1768 - - -	Ground Floor, including a Kitchen and large Closet, 4 Rooms, 5 others, Garrets except one.
Apothecary -	R. R. Graham, esq. -	Never served in the Army	Ground Floor, 2 Parlours, and 2 small Rooms used as Bed-rooms, 2 Garrets; Kitchen and Scullery under ground.

N. B. One of the Parlours was formerly the Apothecary's Shop; but being at such a distance from the Laboratory, where the Stores are kept, Mr. Graham built, at his own expense, the Shop as it now stands at the end of his little Herb Garden.

Rank of Officer.	N A M E.	If served in the Army or not.	Number of Rooms inhabited by each Officer.
Clerk of the Works	John Soane, esq. - -	Never served in the Army	Ground Floor, 2 Parlours and a Study, with Bed-rooms over ; Kitchen and Offices underneath.
Surgeon's Deputy	Mr. John Leeds - -	Resident Surgeon at York Hospital 10 years	No Apartments, or allowance in lieu of Furniture.
Assistant Surgeon	Mr. W ^m North - -	17 years in the Army as Regimental and Garrison Surgeon, and Surgeon of the Forces, part of which time on foreign Service	Ditto.
Lamp-lighter -	Francis Gander - -	Never served in the Army	Three Rooms and a Kitchen.
Wardrobe-keeper	Milbourne Blome - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Three Rooms, a Kitchen, and 2 Garrets.
Whitster - - -	Charles Duke - -	An Officer in the Army -	Two Parlours, a Bed-room, a small Room, and Servants Room, with a Kit- chen.
Comptroller of the Coal-yard	Joseph Jeffries - -	Never served in the Army	Four Rooms and a Kitchen.
Master Cook - -	James Cock - -	Ditto - - - other than he was several years Quarter- master in the London Light Horse Volunteers	Four Rooms, a Garret, and detached Wash-house.
Second Cook - -	John Berriman - -	Never served in the Army	Two Rooms and 2 Garrets.
First under D ^o -	John May - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Two Rooms.
Second - - D ^o -	John May, jun ^r - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Two Rooms.
Third - - D ^o -	Tho ^s Revell - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Two Rooms.
Master Butler -	Joseph Erswell - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Four Rooms, 1 Kitchen, 2 Garrets.
Master Barber -	John Parsey - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	3 Rooms, a Kitchen, and a Back-kitchen.
Sculleryman - -	Benj ⁿ Lucas - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Two Rooms, a Kitchen, and Garret.
Under - - D ^o - -	Abr ^m Lilley - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	} A Room between them.
Second - - D ^o - -	William Frame - -	Served 2d Dragoon Guards, and now an In-Pensioner	
Sexton - - - -	Thomas Crewe - -	Never served in the Army	Two Rooms and a Kitchen.
Usher of the Hall	Sar. Dobinson - -	- - - - - - - -	- - D ^o - - - D ^o
Porter - - - -	Miriam Church - -	- - - - - - - -	Three D ^o - - - D ^o
Turncock - - -	John King - -	Never served in the Army	Three D ^o
Gardener - - -	James Allen - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Three D ^o - - and a Kitchen.
First Sweeper -	Tho ^s Revell - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	Two D ^o - - and a Garret.
Second D ^o - - -	Abr ^m Lilley - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	One D ^o
Messenger - - -	Tho ^s Holmes - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	} No Apartments, or Allowance in lieu of Furniture.
Organist - - - -	D ^r Burney - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	
Organ Tuner - -	William Gray - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	
Engine-keeper -	George Davis - -	Never served in the Army	} No Apartments, or Allowance in lieu of Furniture.
Clock-keeper - -	Charles Taylor - -	- - - - D ^o - - - -	
Cellar-woman -	Eliz ^h Barnes - -	- - - - - - - -	Two Rooms and a Kitchen.
Housekeeper - -	Mrs. Dalrymple - -	Relict of ——— White, who served in the Army	Six Rooms, a Kitchen, Scullery, and 3 Garrets.
Agent to Out-Pen- sioners -	Jos ^h Smith, esq. - -	Never served in the Army, or any of his Clerks	No Apartments for himself or Clerks, or Allowance in lieu of Furniture.

The Officers mentioned in the List accompanying this, have an Allowance in lieu of Furniture, as set against their Names, in conformity to the Minute of the Board, annexed.

The several Wards, Captains, Light-Horse Rooms, Infirmaries and Nurses' Rooms, are supplied with Furniture and Bedding, as may be wanted, at the expense of the Establishment; also the Board-room, Halls, and three Offices.

Extract from a MINUTE of the Chelsea Board, dated 21st June 1793.

Resolved, THAT the practice of furnishing the Apartments of the several Officers, and of supplying them with various Household Articles without restriction, having been attended with great and increasing expense, and being in its nature liable to abuse, be discontinued; and that no Article whatever, except the necessary Fixtures, be in future provided or repaired at the public expense, except the Great Room in the Governor's House.

That, as the present Officers came into their respective situations with the expectation of enjoying this privilege, the above Resolution do only take place upon all future Appointments; and that the necessary Articles of Furniture do continue to be repaired and supplied to them during the time they possess their present Offices, in a moderate and reasonable extent.

That, when any Officer is appointed in future, such Furniture belonging to the Public, as may then remain in his Apartments, be left for his use.

That, upon every such Appointment, there be added to the Salary of such Officer the annual Sum set opposite to his name.

	£.		£.
The Governor - - - -	100	Master Cook - - - -	10
Lieutenant Governor - - - -	50	Second Cook - - - -	10
Major - - - -	30	Three Under-Cooks (£.5 each) - - - -	15
Adjutant - - - -	25	Master Butler - - - -	10
First Chaplain - - - -	25	Barber - - - -	10
Second Chaplain - - - -	25	Scullery-man - - - -	10
Physician - - - -	25	Two Under-Scullerymen (£.5. each) - - - -	10
Surgeon - - - -	25	Sexton - - - -	10
Secretary - - - -	25	Usher of the Hall - - - -	10
Deputy Treasurer - - - -	25	Porter - - - -	10
Comptroller - - - -	20	Canal-keeper and Turncock - - - -	10
Steward - - - -	20	Gardner - - - -	10
Clerk of the Works - - - -	10	Two Sweepers (£.5 each) - - - -	10
Wardrobe-keeper - - - -	10	Housekeeper - - - -	10
Comptroller of the Coal-yard - - - -	10		

N. B. The following Officers, who were upon the Old Establishment, have since been ordered by the Board an Allowance in lieu of Furniture, as set against their Names.

	£.		£.
Apothecary - - - -	25	Lamp-lighter - - - -	10
Whitster - - - -	20	Cellar-woman - - - -	5

Appendix, No. 8.

RETURN of the Stables, Coach-houses, &c. attached to Chelsea Hospital, and allotted to the use of the several Officers under mentioned.

Chelsea Hospital, March 1812.

Governor - - - -	{ 3 Coach-houses. 2 Stables, stalls for 11 Horses.
Lieutenant Governor - - - -	{ 2 Coach-houses. 1 Four-stall Stable.
Major - - - -	{ 1 Coach-house. 1 Four-stall Stable.
Deputy Treasurer - - - -	{ 1 Coach-house. 1 Two-stall Stable.
Secretary - - - -	{ 1 Coach-house. 1 Four-stall Stable.
Comptroller - - - -	{ 1 Four-stall Stable.
Clerk of the Works - - - -	{ 1 Coach-house. 1 Two-stall Stable, and a standing.
Physician - - - -	{ 1 Coach-house. 1 Four-stall Stable.

Appendix, No. 9.

Examination of JOHN SOANE, Esq. taken upon Oath on the 25th of March 1812.

Mr. Soane.

Q. 1. WHEN were you appointed Clerk of the Works to Chelsea Hospital?—A. In March 1807.

Q. 2. Did you receive any new Instructions at the time of your appointment?—A. I received the same Instructions which my predecessor had.

Q. 3. Who was your predecessor?—A. Mr. Samuel Wyatt.

Q. 4. What are your Salary and Allowances as Clerk of the Works of Chelsea Hospital?—A. My Salary is £. 220 a year, and I have a house and £. 20 a year in lieu of furniture, with 2 chaldron of Coals, and 52 pounds of Candles, and Vegetables from the Garden; and for every night I sleep at Chelsea, three shillings, under the head of Diet Money.

Q. 5. What services are your Salary and Allowances intended to cover?—A. The first part of my duty is to take care of the Building in all its parts, the Walks and Reservoirs; I am also to estimate such repairs as are wanted to be done, to represent them to the Board of Commissioners, and having received their orders, to carry such Works into execution; I am then to give my directions to the different Tradesmen, to see that their

their Works are properly executed, and of sufficient materials, and to measure and value their works; such, generally speaking, were my original duties; since then, I have had other duties, namely, to controul the expenses of the public garden, to prepare Plans and Estimates for any new Building, and to see to the execution of the work.

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Q. 6. Do you receive any extra remuneration for any service, in respect of the Hospital concerns?—A. I am to receive an addition of £. 100 a year, during the time that the building of the New Infirmary is carrying on.

Q. 7. Do you at any time receive a per-centage, or any allowance on the Bills of the Tradesmen and Artificers employed in the Building concerns of the Hospital; or do you in any way derive an advantage from your situation as Clerk of the Works of the Hospital, beyond your regular Salary, and the Allowances spoken of in your Answer to the 4th Question?—A. None whatever.

Q. 8. Do you generally reside in the Hospital Apartments allotted to your Office?—A. No; and therefore I do not receive Diet-money.

Q. 9. Do you make any periodical surveys of the Buildings, Officers Houses, and Apartments belonging to the Hospital, and report the state of the same to the Board? — A. When I was first appointed, I found the Buildings very much dilapidated: I then went over every part of the exterior and interior, and formed a detailed description of what appeared to me necessary to be done, with Estimates of the same, which were laid before the Board, and, with the sanction of the Treasury, were ordered to be carried into execution, and are still going on. I have frequently surveyed the Buildings since, but not periodically, and when I see any thing wanting to be done, I report the same to the Board; but I do not survey the Officers Houses and Apartments, unless expressly sent for.

Q. 10. Has any one of the Board, or principal Officers of the Hospital, accompanied you on such occasional surveys of the Buildings?—A. I do not recollect that they ever did, except that when it was in contemplation to convert the Premises, late belonging to Lord Yarborough, into an Infirmary, the Governor, Dr. Moseley, and Mr. Keate, went over the Premises with me.

Q. 11. Do you know whether the Members of the Board, do at any time inspect the internal state of the Buildings, Officers Houses, and Apartments belonging to the Hospital?—A. I do not know that they do.

Q. 12. Are any repairs or works ever carried on at the Hospital, without your previous knowledge and approbation of the necessity of them?—A. None; nor do I ever receive a verbal request for any work to be done.

Q. 13. Is an Estimate always made of the repairs and works, before orders are given for executing them?—A. Always, unless they are very trifling.

Q. 14. Do you take any part in selecting or recommending the Artificers or Tradesmen, who are employed in the Building concerns of the Hospital?—A. None; the Tradesmen are appointed by the Paymaster General.

Q. 15. Is it your duty to represent to the Board any insufficiency or impropriety of conduct, which you have discovered in the Tradesmen employed?—A. It is.

Q. 16. In what manner are the Building Materials, which are used in the Hospital, procured?—A. They are supplied by the different Tradesmen.

Q. 17. According to what principle are the repairs and new works belonging to the Hospital respectively executed?—A. All works capable of measurement are measured, the others are paid by the day.

Q. 18. Do you price the Bills of the tradesmen?—A. The Bills for all repairs and works hitherto executed, have been sent in to me made up, and I have then agreed to, or altered them, as I judged right, having had the work measured by persons in my constant employ, and the daily Vouchers examined.

Q. 19. How are you enabled to check the charges under the head of Day-work?—A. The orders for all Day-work are given by me to a person who attends there constantly for me, as labourer in trust; he sees the work is done according to my directions, and to him the daily return is made. (a)

Q. 20. Is it the duty also of this person to attend to the quality of the materials used?—A. Yes; but I consider that as my particular duty also.

Q. 21. Are you allowed to charge the wages of the labourer in trust?—A. I am.

Q. 22. By whom is he appointed?—A. By myself; I found a labourer in trust there, who belonged to Mr. Wyatt, and I continued him as long as his health permitted.

Q. 23. What are your duties, in respect of a superintendence over the Hospital Gardener?—A. The Gardener delivers to me weekly, a daily account of the labourers he has employed; when he has occasion for Seeds, Manure, or Implements, he states to me in writing the quantity of each wanted, which I examine as far as I am able, and either order or reject. He makes out a Quarterly Bill, which he sends to me to be examined, which I do from the weekly and other notes which I had signed.

Q. 24. Does the Gardener furnish you with the Under Bills of the articles which you had authorized

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authorized him to purchase?—A. He does not, but I ascertain the prices by enquiry; and I judge of the propriety of the quantities by an experiment that was made the first year of the present Gardener's being employed, to ascertain the exact expense of keeping the Garden in a productive state.

Q. 25. Have you any superintendence over the Gardener employed in the Governor's Garden?—A. None; the Governor is allowed a specific sum for the expenses of his Garden.

Q. 26. How long has any allowance been made to the Governor, for taking care of his own Garden?—A. I cannot speak positively, but I will send an Answer to this Question. (b)

Q. 27. Do you know what expenses that allowance to the Governor is intended to cover?—The sum allowed to the Governor, is to cover the whole of the expense of cultivating and taking care of the Garden.

Q. 28. Is the Hospital at any other expense now, in respect of the Governor's Garden?—A. None that I know of, except the repairs of the buildings; the glazing of the Hot-house and Green-house is done at the expense of the Governor.

Q. 29. On an inspection of the Minutes of the Board, we observed that £. 10 per annum was allowed to the Governor for making some hay; do you know where this hay was grown, and for whose use it was intended?—A. It was grown in Burton's Court, (c) in front of the Hospital, the produce of which has always been considered as the property of the Governor.

Q. 30. Do you know whether the expense of making the hay for the Governor, has always been charged to the Hospital?—A. I cannot speak with certainty; but I rather think that since I have been there it has.

Q. 31. What becomes of the old Materials of the Buildings belonging to the Hospital?—A. All such as are sound and fit for use are taken into the stores, and used when wanted.

Q. 32. What Officers of the Hospital have Coach-houses and Stabling belonging to their Offices?—A. The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Major, Physician, Secretary and Comptroller; (d) I have likewise a Coach-house and three-stall Stable; the former was built by my predecessor, and paid for by him, as I understand.

Q. 33. Do you know whether those Coach-houses and Stables are occupied by the respective Officers?—A. Some of them are, some are not.

Q. 34. Would the removal of those Coach-houses and Stabling, and of the Clerk of the Work's House, be beneficial to the New Infirmary?—A. If all the Stables and other Buildings in front of the New Infirmary were removed, it would be attended with the most important benefits to the Infirmary; and the full advantage of the Infirmary can hardly be obtained without it.

Additions by Mr. SOANE, on the 26th March 1812.

A. 19. (a) By the "Daily Return," I mean the Return made by the several persons actually doing the work of the time employed, and the materials used; these are given to the labourer in trust, who, if he is satisfied of their correctness, enters them in a Book; the Returns are kept together, and at the close of the Quarter, two of my Clerks collect into one Abstract all the different day-work of each tradesman. The tradesman sends an Abstract of what has been done during the Quarter, which, being examined, if the two Abstracts do not agree, reference is then made to the original notes: if these two Abstracts do agree, the tradesman's Abstract is then sent back, and he makes out and delivers his Bill, which is examined, to see that the Bill agrees with the Abstract, and that the articles are correctly monied and cast: I then examine the prices, and alter or approve the Bill accordingly. The Bills are then made out, shewing the total amount of work done for each Officer during the Quarter, which, having been examined and signed by myself, are sent to the Comptroller; from him to the Secretary; from the Secretary, to the Board; and from the Board, to the Deputy Treasurer, who pays the tradesmen. The original Bills remain in my possession.

A. 26. (b) It has been from Midsummer 1808.

A. 29. (c) After the words "Burton's Court," add, "and a Meadow."

A. 32. (d) The Deputy Treasurer has also a Coach-house and a two-stall stable.

Further Examination of JOHN SOANE, Esq. on the 26th March 1812.

Q. 35. You have said, in the addition to your Answer to the 26th Question, that the Governor has had an allowance, from Midsummer 1808, for taking care of his own Garden; do you know whether the expense of taking care of the Governor's Garden, had been previously borne as a charge on the Funds of the Hospital?—A. I believe it always had.

Q. 36. Do you know by whom the expense of taking care of the Governor's Garden, was at that time controuled?—A. When I first came to the Hospital, the same Gardener I believe had the care both of the Governor's Garden, and the public Garden, but I do not know who had the controul over the expenses.

Q. 37. What are the accommodations in the Coach-houses and stables of the Officers belonging to the Hospital, and in what manner are they occupied?—A. I will send a return of this.

Q. 38. Do you know on whose representation it was, that it was determined to erect a new Infirmary for the use of Chelsea Hospital?—A. The Infirmary is not altogether new, but is partly a conversion of Lord Yarborough's premises to the purposes of an Infirmary. All I know upon the subject, with reference to the Question, is from the public Papers published by order of the House of Commons; by which it appears that Dr. Moseley wrote a letter to the Governor, suggesting the expediency of a new Infirmary.

Q. 39. Were

Q. 39. Were you consulted with, as to the fitness of Lord Yarborough's premises for an Infirmary, previously to a lease of a part of the land being granted to Colonel Gordon?—A. I was never consulted as to the fitness of those Buildings for the purpose of an Infirmary. I know not at what time Colonel Gordon had his lease; but the first time I saw the premises, which was with the Governor, I made several objections, which produced an answer, that every thing was finally settled. But my opinion is detailed in Reports made by me to the Board, and printed by order of the House of Commons.

Q. 40. What number of Patients are usually accommodated in the rooms at present occupied as an Infirmary?—A. I cannot recollect; but when it was in contemplation to convert Lord Yarborough's premises into an Infirmary, I was directed to provide accommodation for seventy or eighty Patients.

Q. 41. Will the Buildings which are now preparing for an Infirmary, accommodate that number; and the requisite number of Nurses and Attendants?—A. They will accommodate from ninety to one hundred, together with an apartment for the Matron, and two rooms for the Physician, with hot and cold baths for the sick.

Q. 42. What is the Estimate for the Buildings now preparing for the Infirmary?—A. The Estimate of the Shell of the entire Building, and for completely finishing so much of it as is necessary to accommodate fifty Patients, their Nurses and Helpers, also an apartment for the Matron, two rooms for the Physician, and a hot and cold bath, will amount to the sum of £. 22,600, exclusive of using the old materials, and the value of some trees in the front of the Surgeon's house, since cut down.

Q. 43. On what principle is this work executed?—A. By Admeasurement, and the value to be fixed by me, after the work is finished.

Q. 44. Did you consider that you were bound to employ the Hospital Tradesmen, in the execution of this distinct work?—A. Most certainly.

Q. 45. Had you considered yourself at liberty, would you have endeavoured to obtain a competition of Officers for executing this work?—A. Certainly.

Q. 46. Then you would consider that as the most economical mode of proceeding?—A. Undoubtedly.

Q. 47. Did you at any time make representations to the Board to such an effect?—A. On this and on every other occasion, I conceived it to be my duty to have the Works done in the best, most substantial and economical manner, and also to ascertain the expense as nearly as could be; with this view, I applied to the different Tradesmen for their prices for executing the several Works then in contemplation; their Prices appeared to me higher than they ought to have been, exceeding what I had been accustomed to allow in public or private Works. I applied to several different Tradesmen, of the most respectable kind, desiring to know of them, on what terms they could do such Works as had been before described to the Hospital Tradesmen, without their knowing where the Work was to be executed; their prices were considerably less than those named by the Hospital Tradesmen; I then applied again to some of the Hospital Tradesmen, to reconsider their Prices; the answer was, that if I was not perfectly satisfied with their Prices, they would leave it to me to determine what was right when the Work was done. These circumstances I stated to the Board, and the result was, that I was directed by the Board to proceed with the Tradesmen of the Hospital.

Q. 48. Were any other directions given to you on this subject, at the same time?—A. None.

Q. 49. Have any Payments been hitherto made to the Tradesmen for executing this Work?—A. Several; I believe about £. 11,000 or £. 12,000.

Q. 50. Have you been regulated in your Certificates on which those Payments were made, by the scale of Prices at which the other Tradesmen would have executed the Work?—A. The Money has hitherto been only advanced on account.

Q. 51. In what manner will you finally settle the Accounts with the Tradesmen?—A. I should consider myself justified to the Public and to the Individual, in affixing such Prices as I could have had the Work done for in the manner it is executed.

Q. 52. On what data have you proceeded, in certifying for advances of Money to the Tradesmen?—A. Partly on the Statements given in by the Tradesmen, of the amount of the Works done, and partly on my own rough calculation, taking care to leave a Balance due to the Tradesmen.

Q. 53. When the Work is completed, and the Tradesmen's Bills are to be finally settled, shall you employ a Measurer to take an account of the Work?—A. The Tradesmen's Bills cannot be finally settled until the Works have been measured by some of my people, or by a person appointed by the Board.

Q. 54. Is your additional Salary of £. 100 a year to cover the expense of such Measurement?—A. I believe it is intended by the Board that it should cover all expenses, but it will not be sufficient to pay even for the Measurement, without allowing any remuneration for my own extra trouble.

Q. 55. Have you found, during the time that you have acted as Clerk of the Works to the Hospital, that any inconvenience has arisen from your being obliged to employ the appointed Tradesmen of the Hospital?—A. In answering this Question, I beg to premise, that I never had any wish to appoint Tradesmen; I have felt much inconvenience, in not being allowed, in cases of delay or neglect, to call in other Tradesmen to assist and to stimulate.

(Signed) Sam. C. Cox, Cha. Bosanquet,
Giles Templeman, B. C. Stephenson,
Henry Peters, L. Bradshaw.

(Signed) JOHN SOANE.

Appendix, No. 10.

AN ACCOUNT of the Expenditure of CHELSEA HOSPITAL, for the years 1797, 1803, 1810.

	1797.	1803.	1810.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Salaries to Officers, as per Establishment, including Secretary's additional Salary - }	3,295 9 ---	3,296 9 ---	7,453 19 ---
Salary to Deputy Treasurer, per King's Warrant	600. ---	600 ---	} included in the above.
Provisions:			
Butcher, Baker, and Cheesemonger - -	7,136 11 4	8,901 11 ---	9,680 4 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Brewer - - - - -	1,580 7 1	1,783 --- 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,937 14 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tallow Chandler - - - - -	447 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	465 4 2	254 9 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lamp-lighter - - - - -	603 16 10	647 --- 5	787 12 6
Whitster - - - - -	526 11 1	528 10 6	612 ---
Table-money to King's Commissioned Officers, during residence in the Hospital, at 3s. per head per day - - - - -	412 16 ---	523 1 ---	581 11 ---
Board Wages to under Officers and Nurses -	256 5 ---	256 5 ---	246 ---
£.	10,963 9 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	13,104 12 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	14,099 11 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Military Officers:			
Light Horse and private Soldiers - - -	1,266 14 6	1,271 9 3	1,248 19 3
Surgeon (in lieu of Bills) - - - - -	900 ---	821 7 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	} now included in the Salaries.
Company of Apothecaries, for Surgeons Medicines - - - - -	147 16 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 7 9	106 17 6
Apothecary - - - - -	1,019 11 9	1,194 5 11	1,156 1 6
Men on Matron's Diet - - - - -	102 6 ---	279 11 3	368 8 ---
Men on furlough, in lieu of Diet - - -	52 10 6	23 1 6	26 16 -
£.	3,488 19 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,654 3 --- $\frac{3}{4}$	2,907 2 3
Artificers:			
Painter - - - - -	158 5 --- $\frac{1}{2}$	162 5 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	285 17 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Plasterer - - - - -	- - -	18 17 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	100 18 3
Plumber - - - - -	170 4 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	31 8 7	602 9 1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Joiner - - - - -	446 2 5 $\frac{3}{4}$	425 --- 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	462 2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Glazier - - - - -	75 4 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	102 6 10	109 6 8
Bricklayer - - - - -	487 16 10	105 11 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,025 9 8
Carpenter - - - - -	137 19 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	180 12 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	529 10 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Smith - - - - -	227 4 7	223 5 4	274 14 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mason - - - - -	41 11 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	9 18 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	282 17 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Slater - - - - -	20 1 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	10 11 1	469 17 5 $\frac{3}{4}$
Paper-hanger - - - - -	10 12 6	42 7 1 $\frac{1}{4}$	124 4 6
Labourer - - - - -	91 12 ---	83 4 ---	105 19 ---
Ballast-man - - - - -	10 16 ---	10 16 ---	10 16 ---
Paviour - - - - -	30 11 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	- - -	---
Cast Iron Founder - - - - -	25 18 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 12 3	23 18 10
Nightman - - - - -	2 7 ---	- - -	---
Repairing Engine - - - - -	- - -	- - -	39 18 6
Brazier - - - - -	- - -	- - -	29 8 3 $\frac{1}{4}$
Blind-maker - - - - -	- - -	- - -	30 13 ---
Sand - - - - -	- - -	- - -	6 5 ---
Rope-maker - - - - -	- - -	- - -	12 15 ---
£.	1,936 8 10 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,456 16 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,527 2 2 $\frac{3}{4}$
Tradesmen:			
Upholsterer - - - - -	896 8 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	892 1 5	563 2 4
Turner and Cooper - - - - -	345 17 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	401 3 3	399 6 8
Stationer - - - - -	479 --- 2	674 --- 2	1,791 18 1
Brazier - - - - -	115 --- 2	99 14 9	61 14 11
Linen Draper - - - - -	104 15 10	190 --- 4	115 6 10
Pewterer - - - - -	61 8 3	55 16 4	44 --- 8
Tinman - - - - -	99 11 11	95 11 9	104 5 8
Sea Coal - - - - -	816 --- 3	736 1 3	1,677 1 3
Small Coal - - - - -	36 --- 6	36 9 ---	42 15 ---
Patrole Shoes and Coats - - - - -	24 4 ---	35 8 6	---
Leather Jacks - - - - -	- - -	- - -	---
Chimney Sweeper - - - - -	25 14 ---	25 2 ---	26 11 ---
A new Engine - - - - -	110 1 ---	- - -	---
Engine Repairer - - - - -	4 ---	4 ---	4 ---
Printing and Advertising - - - - -	152 16 ---	444 19 6	949 5 6
Mending Ward Lanthorns - - - - -	24 4 4	11 2 6	---
£.	3,295 2 1	3,701 10 9	5,779 7 11

	1810.	1803.	1797.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Tradesmen's Bills on an average of ten years, from 1801 to 1810, amounting to £.4,760. 7s. 11½d.			
Contingencies and Extraordinaries :			
First Chaplain for Wine at the Sacrament -	5 15 2	5 9 8	7 — 2
Second D ^o - for D ^o - - - - -	3 13 —	4 11 4	3 — 10
Sexton for Burials - - - - -	4 7 6	8 7 —	6 — —
Scullery Man for Sand Ashes, &c. for scowering Pewter - - - - -	8 10 —	9 18 —	10 10 —
Bread for the Governor's table - - - - -	— — —	Table abolished	—
Patroles - - - - -	155 2 —	152 2 —	Abolished.
Master Butler, for Mustard to the Pensioners table - - - - -	15 — —	15 — —	15 — —
Barber, for Linen and Washing - - - - -	6 10 —	6 10 —	7 14 —
Gardener, for keeping the Gardens in order -	330 — —	330 — —	441 16 8
Armourer - - - - -	10 6 6	18 14 6	11 15 9
Organist, for locking up the Organ - - -	2 — —	2 — —	2 — —
Master Cook, for Provisions at Festivals -	50 — —	50 — —	50 — —
Master Butler, for Wine at D ^o - - - - -	50 5 —	50 5 —	50 5 —
Adjutant, for bringing Ammunition - - -	— 16 —	— 16 —	— 16 —
Ballast Man - - - - -	10 — —	10 — —	10 — —
Truss Maker, for Trusses - - - - -	440 4 —	428 19 6	507 1 6
26 Nurses, for Sand - - - - -	13 — —	13 — —	13 — —
Ranelagh Money—Two Infirmary Nurses -	— — —	— 8 —	— 8 —
Cleaning the Burying Ground - - - - -	1 1 6	— — —	— — —
Expenses for Watchmen in the Hospital Courts	— — —	— — —	68 6 6
Wax Lights - - - - -	— — —	— — —	45 — —
Washing Infirmary Beds and marking Linen -	— — —	— — —	27 1 2
Bow-street Officers attending to keep order during the payments - - - - -	— — —	— — —	12 — —
Governor, in lieu of Furniture, from 18th July 1796 - - - - -	143 13 11½	100 — —	{ Included with other Officers.
Several Officers, in lieu of Furniture - - -	212 10 —	366 15 5	590 — —
Deputy Treasurer's Contingent Bill - - -	85 8 11½	60 1 6	100 1 4
Secretary's Ditto - - - - -	329 8 3½	429 12 10	1,143 6 1
Surgeon's Mate and Deputy, attending Boards, £.50 each - - - - -	100 — —	100 — —	Included in Salaries.
Surgeon's Mates additional Salary - - - -	— — —	80 — —	D ^o
First Clerk in the Secretary's Office, £.180 per ann. Second Ditto £.110 - - - - -	290 — —	380 — —	D ^o
Third and Fourth Ditto £.100 each - - -	— — —	200 — —	D ^o
Surgeon and Apothecary for Infirmary Nurses, Helpers, &c. - - - - -	80 16 —	99 19 6	130 19 6
Clerk of the Works, for incident Expenses -	— — —	— — —	— — —
D ^o , additional Salary in lieu of Perquisites, &c.	200 — —	200 — —	Included in Salaries.
Adjutant, in lieu of Diet - - - - -	50 — —	50 — —	D ^o
D ^o , for inspecting Hospital Clothing - - -	15 — —	15 — —	D ^o
Master Butler, for Assistants and losses by the abolition of the Governor's table - - - -	41 — —	53 — —	D ^o
D ^o , attending Board Room 5 years and half -	— — —	66 — —	D ^o
Master Butler, for Wine for the Sick Pensioners - - - - -	78 9 6	75 — 2	54 1 6½
Organist, additional Salary - - - - -	30 — —	30 — —	Included in Salaries.
Cellerman's Salary - - - - -	20 — —	20 — —	D ^o
Comptroller of the Coal Yard, additional Salary - - - - -	20 — —	20 — —	D ^o
Barber's - - Ditto - - - - -	10 — —	10 — —	D ^o
Sexton's - - Ditto - - - - -	10 — —	10 — —	D ^o
1st Under Cook's Ditto - - - - -	2 10 —	5 — —	D ^o
Taxes for the Hospital, Ditto Slaughterhouse Field, &c. - - - - -	339 14 6½	447 3 10	489 12 6
Rent for the Slaughterhouse Field - - -	35 — —	— — —	— — —
Salary to the Two Nurses of the New Infirmary	16 — —	16 — —	Included in Salaries.
D ^o to the Serjeant Major - - - - -	9 2 6	9 3 —	{ Included in Military Officers Pay.
The Major, for postage of Letters - - - -	7 17 4	— — —	3 5 —
The Porter at the Board Room at Whitehall (now Chelsea) - - - - -	10 — —	10 — —	10 — —
Housekeeper at Ditto - - - - -	10 — —	— — —	— — —
A Man and Woman looking after the Baths -	26 — —	26 — —	26 — —
For the Board and care of Lunatic Out Pensioners at Hoxton - - - - -	323 12 8½	383 17 3½	287 18 3

	1797.	1803.	1810.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Toward the support of a Watch round Burton's Court - - - - -	26 5 —	26 5 —	26 5 —
Pensions to a late Adjutant's daughters - - -	50 — —	50 — —	Included in Salaries.
D ^o , to a Poor Woman, a Labourer in the Gardens (blind) - - - - -	10 8 —	—	—
The Brewer, Interest upon his Contract - - -	17 10 10	—	—
Housekeeper, for Disbursements by order of the Surgeon - - - - -	23 7 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	48 12 — $\frac{1}{2}$	24 3 5
D ^o for her Servant - - - - -	25 — —	43 15 —	Included in Salaries.
Newspapers to the late Board Room at Whitehall - - - - -	1 11 6	—	—
Repairing the Organ and Clock - - - - -	11 19 —	1 7 —	—
A Man for lighting the Chapel Fire - - - - -	1 7 —	1 — —	1 — —
Compassionate Cases (explained in Appendix)	782 18 9	- - -	7 16 —
Master Cook, Second Cook, and under Cooks, in lieu of Perquisites of Fat, from the time of the Abolition - - - - -	- - -	134 7 11	Included in Salaries.
Trustees of Turnpikes, mending Roads - - -	- - -	8 — —	8 — —
Ale for Governor's Table, at Festivals - - -	- - -	3 1 6	In Brewers Bill.
Cox, for Lighterage and Porterage - - - - -	- - -	21 17 6	—
Housekeeper's Bills for Sick Pensioners - - -	- - -	133 5 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	—
Man looking after the Brewhouse - - - - -	- - -	- - -	1 1 —
Governor, for Postage of Letters - - - - -	- - -	- - -	4 7 —
Mr. Saunders, surveying Hospital Premises - -	- - -	- - -	85 15 —
	4,553 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,843 6 — $\frac{1}{2}$	4,282 7 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
Clothing per Contract - - - - -	911 17 5	1,324 14 4	1,729 — 9
Out-Pension for the year 1803, as per Estimate - - - - -	- - -	202,454 17 6	—
- - Ditto - - for the year 1810, as per Estimate	- - -	- - -	420,762 1 9

ABSTRACT OF THE WHOLE.

	Expenditure 1797.	Expenditure 1803.	Expenditure 1810.	Increase since 1797.	Decrease since 1797.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Salaries to Officers - - - - -	3,296 9 —	3,296 9 —	7,453 19 —	4,157 10 —	—
Salary to Deputy Treasurer - - - - -	600 — —	600 — —	{ Charged in } Salaries. {	- - -	† 600 — —
Provisions - - - - -	10,963 9 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	13,104 12 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	14,099 11 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,136 2 1	—
Military Officers, Light Horse, and Private Soldiers - - - - -	1,266 14 6	1,271 9 3	1,248 19 3	- - -	17 15 3
Surgeon - - - - -	900 — —	821 7 4 $\frac{3}{4}$	{ Charged in } Salaries as { above - }	- - -	† 900 — —
Company of Apothecaries, for Surgeons Medicines - - - - -	147 16 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 7 9	106 17 6	- - -	40 19 — $\frac{1}{2}$
Apothecary - - - - -	1,019 11 9	1,194 5 11	1,156 1 6	136 9 9	—
Men on Matrons Diet - - - - -	102 6 —	279 11 3	368 8 —	266 2 —	—
Men on Furlough, in lieu of Diet	52 10 6	23 1 6	26 16 —	- - -	25 14 6
Artificers - - - - -	1,936 8 10 $\frac{3}{4}$	1,456 16 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,527 2 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	2,590 13 4	—
Tradesmen - - - - -	3,295 2 1	3,701 10 9	5,779 7 11	2,484 5 10	—
Contingencies and Extraordi- naries - - - - -	4,553 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,843 6 — $\frac{1}{2}$	4,282 7 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	- - -	270 15 1
Clothing - - - - -	911 17 5	1,324 14 4	1,729 — 9	817 3 4	—
	29,045 8 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	31,981 12 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	40,778 11 — $\frac{3}{4}$	13,588 6 4	1,855 3 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
			29,045 8 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,855 3 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	
			11,733 2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	* 11,733 2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	

* Apparent Increase, which arises chiefly from the Provisions, Additions to Salaries, Artificers and Tradesmen's Bills; particularly for Repairs of the Hospital, which had been much neglected for many preceding years; also, from the advance in the price of the Clothing; and from the Coals not having been delivered and charged in the year 1809, as should have been; making a Total Increase of nearly £. 1,800 in those two Articles.

† N. B. £. 1,500 to the Deputy Treasurer and the Surgeon for the year 1810, is charged in the Salaries, and forms a part of the £. 7,453. 19s. consequently the apparent Increase in the Salaries and Decrease since 1797 of the said £. 1,500, arises only in the different mode of charging the same, which, when deducted from £. 1,855. 3s. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. will leave a Decrease in other Articles of £. 355. 3s. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Appendix, No. 11.

Examination of VALENTINE FOWLER, Esq. Steward of Chelsea Hospital; taken upon Oath, on the 6th of March 1812.

Mr. Fowler.

- Q. 1. HAD you held any public Employment previously to your appointment as Steward of Chelsea Hospital?—A. No.
- Q. 2. Had you served in the Army previously to your Appointment?—A. No, I never was in the Army; I had been in the Sea service, but not in the Navy.
- Q. 3. Do you always reside in the Hospital?—A. I do.
- Q. 4. Have you any Instructions descriptive of your Duties?—A. Yes; a Copy of which I now produce.
- Q. 5. Are your present Duties the same as those described in the Appendix to the 34th Report of the Committee of Finance, which you have now read?—A. Yes; with the exception of what relates to the Whistler, for he has now a fixed Allowance.
- Q. 6. Have you any Office in the Hospital distinct from your Apartments?—A. No.
- Q. 7. Are there any contingent expenses attending the execution of your Duties, which are charged to the Hospital?—A. No.
- Q. 8. Who gives the Orders for the quantities of Provisions to be sent into the Hospital?—
A. The quantities depend upon the number of men upon the House Diet, and they are received accordingly.
- Q. 9. What is the check on the receipt and quality of the Provisions, and by whom is an Account of the same taken?—A. I am always present at the receipt, and see the Articles weighed, and the Comptroller is generally present at the same time; we each take an Account, which are checked by each other every month.
- Q. 10. To whom are these Articles delivered over?—A. They are delivered over to the Cook, and I attend to see them served up.
- Q. 11. What means are used to prevent embezzlement of the Provisions, before they are served up?—A. A Serjeant and a Private belonging to the House attend in the Kitchen during the whole time.
- Q. 12. Is it your Duty to attend to the receipt of any other Articles than Provisions?—
A. No.
- Q. 13. What description of Provisions and other Articles do you buy for the use of the Hospital?—
A. I never buy any.
- Q. 14. What is the nature of the Contract for the supply of the Provisions to the Hospital?—
A. The Contractor supplies Beef and Mutton (at the rate of eighteen ounces per Man) with the stipulated Allowance of Bread, Flour, Pease, Oatmeal, Salt, Butter, and Cheese, at twelve pence three farthings per Ration; but there is an addition made on account of the increased price of Bread. The Beef is to be supplied by the side, the whole not to exceed a certain weight; and the Mutton by the carcase.
- Q. 15. When was this Contract made, and who holds it?—A. It is an annual Contract, commencing the 25th of December in each year; it is held by three daughters of the late Mr. Hay, who formerly had the Contract.
- Q. 16. How long have the Provisions been furnished to the Hospital by these Ladies, and their Father?—A. I cannot tell exactly, but it is more than eight years.
- Q. 17. How many Contractors have you known for the supply of Provisions since July 1787, when you were first appointed Steward of the Hospital?—A. I recollect but one, who preceded Hay.
- Q. 18. Do you know whether there is any public advertisement annually inserted in the Newspapers, calling for Tenders for the supply of Provisions to the Hospital?—A. I do not.
- Q. 19. At what price was Bread taken in the last Contract?—A. At ninepence three farthings the Quartern Loaf, with an addition to be regulated by the affize fixed by the Lord Mayor; we get the weekly affizes from the Bakers Hall at the end of each quarter.
- Q. 20. What description of Bread does the Contractor engage to supply to the Hospital?—
A. I believe it is Household Bread. (a.)
- Q. 21. At what rate per Quartern Loaf was the Contractor paid for the half-year ending the 24th December 1811?—A. At the rate of one shilling and threepence three farthings, and eight twenty-sixth parts of a farthing.
- Q. 22. Was this sum calculated to be the average price of Household Bread during that period?—A. Yes. (b.)
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- Q. 23. It appears in the abstract Account of the Hospital for the half-year ending the 24th December 1811, that an additional allowance on Salt was made to the Contractor, on what principle is that calculated?—A. I do not know, it was done by order of the Board, and the allowance is £.11 per ton.
- Q. 24. What is the nature of the Contract for the supply of Beer?—A. It is to be supplied at fourteen shillings and sixpence per barrel, and to be equal in quality with what is supplied in private families at twenty shillings.
- Q. 25. Do you often reject any of the articles of Provisions supplied under the Contracts?—A. Not often.
- Q. 26. Is it your duty to attend to the quality of the Coals sent in by the Contractor for the use of the Hospital?—A. It is properly the duty of the Comptroller of the Coal-yard, who receives and issues them.
- Q. 27. Whose duty is it to receive and issue the Candles?—A. It is the duty of the Comptroller of the Coal-yard.
- Q. 28. Does any one attend to check the quality of the Candles delivered to the Comptroller of the Coal-yard?—A. No; but whenever there is any complaint, I enquire into it.
- Q. 29. Who checks the issues of Coals from the Coal-yard, according to the regulated allowances?—A. The Steward and the Comptroller of the House.
- Q. 30. Are the Coals which the Secretary and Register and the Deputy Treasurer consume in their respective Offices, issued from the Hospital Coal-yard?—A. No, only their regulated personal allowance.
- Q. 31. Are the remains of the Coals and Candles ever taken, so as to ascertain the correctness of the charges of the Contractor for deliveries, and of the issues for which the Comptroller of the Coal-yard takes credit in his account?—A. Not of the Candles, because there are no more charged by the Contractor than what are actually issued; but the Coals remaining are measured every year about the 25th of March, which with the amount of the issues must agree with the quantities charged by the Coal Merchant.
- Q. 32. Are requisitions regularly made to the Gardener for the supply to the kitchen of certain quantities of Vegetables?—A. No; but the Vegetables are sent in every morning, and if they are not sufficient, I send for more.
- Q. 33. Is it your duty to see that a sufficient quantity of Vegetables are daily supplied?—A. Yes.
- Q. 34. How long has that been made part of your duty?—A. I think about three or four years. (c.)
- Q. 35. What kinds of Vegetables are furnished from the Garden for the use of the Pensioners?—A. Onions, Leeks, a few Carrots, Celery, Pot-herbs, Cabbages in the summer time, and Lettuce.
- Q. 36. Are Vegetables furnished to any other Persons than the Pensioners?—A. Yes, to all the commissioned Officers, except the Governor.
- Q. 37. Are the quantities which these Officers receive, limited in any way?—A. I do not know; I get what I send for.
- Q. 38. What description of Vegetables do you and the other commissioned Officers receive from the Garden?—A. Whatever the Garden produces.
- Q. 39. Do you and the other commissioned Officers receive from the Garden any other Vegetables than those which you mention to have been sent to the kitchen, for the use of the Pensioners?—A. Yes, Pease and Beans, Cucumbers, and Fruit in the Season, also Radishes, Spinach, Cauliflowers; I do not recollect any thing else. (d.)
- Q. 40. Do the under Officers and Servants of the Hospital, who are on Board-wages, receive any Vegetables from the Garden?—A. I do not know.
- Q. 41. Do you pay any monies for the use of the Hospital?—A. No.
- Q. 42. What Accounts do you examine previously to payment?—A. The Accounts of the Contractor for dry Provisions, the Brewer's, the Tallow Chandler's Candle Account, the Lamplighter's Account, the Accounts of Board-wages to under Officers, and of Diet to the commissioned Officers.
- Q. 43. In what form is the claim for the Diet Allowance brought before you?—A. The Adjutant issues a precept every Quarter, requiring the Officers to make a Return of the number of nights they have been resident in the Hospital; the Returns are sent to the Adjutant, who makes out a general Quarterly Account, which is sent to the Comptroller and to me.
- Q. 44. In what manner do you and the Comptroller check this Account of Diet Allowance?—A. We merely enter it; it is checked, we suppose, by the Adjutant.
- Q. 45. Does the Comptroller join with you in the examination of the Accounts enumerated by you in the 42d Answer?—A. Yes.

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Q. 46. What is the language of the Allowance or Certificate to the Accounts which you and the Comptroller have examined?—A. My Certificate to the Accounts is in these words: *Mr. Fowler.*

“ I have computed and examined the above, which is right; the Provisions delivered have been conformable to Contract, and the accustomed established Allowance of the House.” I do not know what the Comptroller’s Certificate is.

Q. 47. Do you know whether these Accounts are afterwards examined by any other person previously to payment?—A. They go from us to the Secretary’s Office, and I know no more of them.

Q. 48. Do the Pensioners carry their messes out of the Hall?—A. They divide the messes in the Hall, but they frequently carry them out.

Q. 49. It is stated to be part of your duties to visit the several Wards and Rooms of the Hospital, to what points is your attention directed on such visits?—A. To see that they are clean and aired.

Q. 50. Whose duty is it to inspect the state of the Furniture and Bedding in the Wards and Rooms?—A. It is done under the directions of the Comptroller of the House.

Q. 51. Are any perquisites received by you, or by any other person to your knowledge, belonging to the Hospital?—A. I receive none; and I do not know that any other person does.

Q. 52. Do you know of any persons belonging to the Hospital receiving any gratuity or benefit from a Contractor, or any other person supplying Articles for the use of the Hospital?—A. I do not.

Mr. FOWLER desired, on the 9th March 1812, to make the following Amendments of his Answers.

A. 20. (a.) On reference to the Contract, I have found that it is for Wheaten Bread.

A. 22. (b.) I since find it was Wheaten Bread.

A. 34. (c.) It was always part of my duty to see that Vegetables were brought in for the use of the Kitchen; but about three or four years ago, there were some regulations made upon that head for the present Gardener, directing him to attend to what I ordered.

A. 39. (d.) I receive these Articles, and I presume the other Officers receive the same.

(Signed) *Sam. C. Cox,*
Giles Templeman,
Henry Peters,
Cha. Bosanquet,
B. C. Stephenson,
L. Bradshaw.

(Signed) VAL. FOWLER.

Appendix, No. 12.

PATENT, appointing Mr. R. R. GRAHAM Apothecary of Chelsea Hospital.

GEORGE the Second, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth. To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. Know ye, that We, of our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion, have given and granted, and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, do give and grant unto Our Trusty and Well-beloved Richard Robert Graham, Apothecary, the Office or Place of Apothecary of Our Military Hospital of Chelsea, in our County of Middlesex: And him the said Richard Robert Graham, Apothecary of our Military Hospital of Chelsea afore said, We do for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, make, ordain, create and constitute by these Presents, to have, hold, and enjoy the said Office or Place of Apothecary of Our Military Hospital of Chelsea, in Our County of Middlesex, unto him the said Richard Robert Graham, with all profits, rights, perquisites, privileges and advantages thereunto belonging, or as any other person hath heretofore held and enjoyed, or of right ought to have held or enjoyed the same, for and during the natural life of him the said Richard Robert Graham, from and immediately after the death, surrender, forfeiture, or other sooner determination of the Estate and Interest in the said Office and Premises of his Father, Daniel Graham, who now holds and enjoys the said Office or Place by virtue of Our Commission granted to him, bearing date the fourteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine. Provided always, and these Our Letters Patent are and shall be upon this express condition, that he the said Richard Robert Graham doth from time to time follow and observe such orders and directions as he shall receive from the Governor of Our said Hospital for the time being, or any other his superior Officer; and that he doth take care to furnish the said Hospital with good and wholesome Medicaments; and to do and perform carefully and diligently, all and all manner of things to the duty of the said Office or Place in anywise belonging or appertaining. And lastly, We do hereby for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, grant unto the said Richard Robert Graham, that these Our Letters Patent, or the

inrolment or exemplification thereof, shall be in and by all things good firm valid sufficient and effectual in the Law according to the true intent and meaning thereof, any omission, imperfection, defect, matter, cause or thing whatsoever to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding. In Witness whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent. Witness Ourselves at Westminster, the eighteenth day of May in the twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Writ of Privy Seal.

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Appendix, No. 13.

Examination of Mr. JAMES ALLEN, Gardener to Chelsea Hospital; taken upon Oath, on the 9th of March 1812.

Mr. Allen.

Q. 1. WHEN, and by whom were you appointed the Gardener of Chelsea Hospital?—
A. At Midsummer 1808, by a Warrant signed by the Commissioners.

Q. 2. It appears by your Instructions that you are to make out weekly Bills for the labour and other expenses attending the Garden, and that these Bills are to be laid before the Clerk of the Works; does he leave it to your discretion to employ Labourers, and to purchase Seeds and other Articles?—A. He does.

Q. 3. Do you produce the Bills for the Seeds and other Articles which you purchase?—A. I do not; but when I want Articles of any sort I give in a Note of the quantity and number to the Clerk of the Works, which he signs previously to their being purchased.

Q. 4. Do the Labourers whom you employ sign to the Wages which they have received in the Bills which you deliver in to the Clerk of the Works?—A. No.

Q. 5. What quantity of Manure is purchased for the Garden in the course of a Year?—
A. From 30 to 35 Loads.

Q. 6. It is directed by your Instructions that the annual expense of the Garden shall not exceed £. 300 per Annum; what has been the annual expense of the Garden since you have been appointed Gardener?—A. Last year I think it was £. 298. 15s. and I will furnish the Accounts of the preceding years.

Q. 7. What is the extent of the Garden?—A. Three Acres in cultivation.

Q. 8. What was the object in erecting the Wall at the West side of the Garden?—A. It was done in consequence of a representation made by me to the Board that the Hedge which was the former Fence was old, and not sufficient to protect the Garden.

Q. 9. Does any one direct what kind of Crops shall be cultivated in the Garden?—
A. No.

Q. 10. Have you any precise directions for the quantities and species of Vegetables to be furnished for the public Kitchen?—A. There is a regulation directing the quantities of Onions, Leeks, and Pot-herbs to be furnished daily to the Kitchen.

Q. 11. Are you able to furnish the public Kitchen regularly according to the directions?—
A. I have hitherto.

Q. 12. Is there a sufficient portion of the Garden allotted for the growth of those Articles which you are directed to furnish in fixed quantities to the public Kitchen?—A. I believe there is.

Q. 13. Who directs the quantities and species of Vegetables to be furnished to the Matron for the use of the sick Men under her care?—A. The Matron informs me when she has more or fewer Men, and I send the Vegetables accordingly; and she generally specifies what she wants, and the reasons.

Q. 14. Do you occasionally furnish other Vegetables for the use of the Kitchen, than are specified in the general regulation of which you have spoken?—A. When I have a superfluity of any Article I inform the Steward of the same, and he orders in what quantity he wants.

Q. 15. You are directed by one Article of your Instructions, to supply certain enumerated Officers of the Hospital with a due proportion of the produce of the Garden in season, during the time that they shall be actually resident in their respective Apartments; in what manner is the proportion of the produce allotted to them respectively?—A. They send each a Servant, and we divide whatever has been cut in the morning amongst them, in proportion to their families.

Q. 16. How are you informed that the Officers entitled to a proportion of the produce of the Garden are actually resident in their respective Apartments?—A. When the Servant comes, I enquire

enquire whose Servant it is, and deliver to him his proportion of the Vegetables without farther enquiry.

Mr. Allen.

Q. 17. Do you keep any Account of what Vegetables you deliver, and to whom?—A. Yes, and I now produce the Book.

Q. 18. It appears by your Vegetable Book, that on the 24th of July 1811, a quantity of Vegetables are entered as being delivered to Colonel Wilton per Boat; do you suppose that he was at that time resident in the Hospital?—A. Colonel Wilton was on that day going in his own Pleasure-boat to South End, and he desired a certain quantity of Vegetables to be put into the Boat to take with him.

Q. 19. Some of the Officers of the Hospital, we understand, have houses in town and elsewhere; do you know whether Articles, the produce of the Garden, have been sent to or taken by them whilst resident in those Houses?—A. I have sent fruit to General Hulse's house at West Heath, and Mr. Aust has taken away Vegetables when he has come to attend the Board.

Q. 20. We observe in your Vegetable Book for 1811, that some persons appear to have received Vegetables under Mr. Aust's name, and even on the same day when he himself has received some; how do you account for this?—A. They are Officers belonging to the Hospital, but not generally entitled to Vegetables, and I place them in Mr. Aust's column, because as he seldom draws himself there is most room there; I always insert the name of the person who receives them.

Q. 21. Is your Vegetable Book regularly laid before the Board?—A. No, it never has been asked for since I have been here.

Q. 22. Is it ever inspected by any individual Commissioner or superior officer of the Hospital?—A. I only remember one occasion of its being inspected, and that was by Mr. Fowler the Steward.

Q. 23. By whose directions have you kept this Book containing the account of the Vegetables supplied from the Garden?—A. By the advice of Mr. Long, the Treasurer of the Hospital, who advised me to do it for my own safety.

Q. 24. Have you at any time supplied any articles, the produce of the Garden, to any other persons than to those whose names appear in the Vegetable Book, or to the public Kitchen?—A. I have, when there have been plenty, given some to the lower officers of the house, but to no other persons.

Q. 25. Do you know whether Vegetables have at any time been purchased for the public Kitchen or for the use of the sick?—A. Not to my knowledge.

(Signed) JA^s ALLEN.

(Signed) Sam. C. Cox, Cha. Bosanquet,
Giles Templeman, B. C. Stephenson,
Henry Peters, L. Bradshaw.

Appendix, No. 14.

Examination of Lieutenant Colonel JOHN WILSON, Deputy Treasurer of Chelsea Hospital; taken upon Oath, on the 24th February 1812.

Lieut. Col. Wilson.

Q. 1. BY whom, and by what Instrument were you appointed Deputy Treasurer of Chelsea Hospital?—A. By a deputation from the Paymaster General, in April 1801.

Q. 2. Is it considered to be necessary that you should have a new appointment on any change in the office of Paymaster General of the forces?—A. Yes, it is always renewed upon every change.

Q. 3. Do you give any security for the faithful discharge of your duties as Deputy Treasurer of the Hospital?—A. Yes, I give security to the Paymaster General in £.5,000.

Q. 4. Are the Items in your Contingent Bill limited by any regulation or authority, or are the charges for the monies actually expended under those heads?—A. They are generally customary charges calculated as near as may be to cover the actual expenditure. The charges are not made under any previous authority limiting the amount, but they are regularly laid before the Board and allowed.

Q. 5. Do you constantly reside in the Hospital?—A. Yes.

Q. 6. Have you a separate allowance of Coals and Candles for the apartments in which you reside?—A. I have.

Q. 7. Is the office to which the Coals and Candles charged in your Contingent Bill are supplied, distinct from the apartments in which you reside?—A. It is.

Q. 8. What number of rooms does the Office consist of?—A. Two rooms. (a.)

Lieut. Col. Wilson.

Q. 9. Do you calculate that Coals to the value of £. 30 10s. are consumed in those two rooms in the course of the year?—A. I consider so, but I cannot actually ascertain it, as they are mixed with my own Coals.

Q. 10. Who is employed to clean the Office, for whose service £. 10 per annum is charged in your Contingent Bill?—A. One of my own domestic servants. (b.)

Q. 11. What number of Newspapers are supplied, for which £. 10. 12s. 10d. is charged in the Contingent Bill for the year 1810?—A. One daily Paper, and occasionally an extraordinary Gazette. The allowance for Newspapers has been since discontinued.

Q. 12. With what description of persons is your correspondence, for which postage is charged in your Contingent Bill?—A. Chiefly the Out-Pensioners.

Q. 13. What number of Clerks are employed under you, in the business of the Deputy Treasurer?—A. There is no Clerk employed under me in the proper business of the Deputy Treasurer, but I have four employed, two permanent, and two occasionally, in the business of the Prize-money Department, which was annexed to that of the Deputy Treasurer about two or three years ago.

Q. 14. Have you any separate Pay or Allowance for executing this additional Duty?—A. I have £. 200 a year Salary, but no Allowances.

Q. 15. Under what authority, and out of what Fund is this Salary to you and those of the four Clerks paid?—A. Under the authority of the Board, out of the unclaimed Prize-money Fund.

Q. 16. Where is that business executed?—A. In my Office at Chelsea.

Q. 17. Is there any other expense attending the execution of the business of the Prize-money Department?—A. There are some few contingent expenses.

Q. 18. Do you hold any other situation under Government?—A. None.

Q. 19. What portion of your time is occupied in your Duties as Deputy Treasurer?—A. I am occupied daily.

Q. 20. What are your Duties as Deputy Treasurer?—A. To receive from the Paymaster General of the Forces the sums issued for the In-Pension and Out-Pension, to pay the former over to the Officers of the House, the Pensioners, Tradesmen and Artificers, with such other expenses as casually occur, and to pay over the Out-Pension to the Agent for the Out-Pensioners, together with such sums in advance as are occasionally required for men who are examined and passed by the Chelsea Board.

Q. 21. On whose requisition is the money obtained by you from the Paymaster General for these purposes?—A. On the requisition of the Board, made through their Secretary

Q. 22. Do you furnish the Board with distinct and written Statements previously to the requisition being made, of the Balances in your hands, or at your disposal, and of the probable demands on those Balances?—A. I generally furnish the Board with a written Statement of the Balance in hand, but with the probable demands I am not acquainted.

Q. 23. Is not such distinct written Statement regularly furnished at all times to the Board, when you apply to them for a requisition for more money?—A. I do not make requisitions to the Board, but the requisitions are made out regularly by the Secretary to the Board half-yearly, upon Estimates formed by him.

Q. 24. When were you first directed to keep your money at the Bank of England, and to make your payments by draft on the Bank?—A. I think in June or July 1805.

Q. 25. What knowledge has the Board of the payments actually made by you? is your Bank Book laid before them at fixed times?—A. The Bank Book is not laid before the Board, and I do not furnish them with any Account.

Q. 26. Are you allowed to keep any money in hand, and to what amount, to make small payments?—A. By a direction of the Board, in December 1808, I am allowed to keep to the amount of £. 300 in hand.

Q. 27. What Account is kept of the application of this money which you are allowed to keep in your own hands, and to whom is such Account furnished?—A. I render an Account Quarterly to the Paymaster General, shewing what I have at the Bank, and what I have in my own hands.

Q. 28. Is your Bank Book regularly laid before him, when you deliver in your Quarterly Statement?—A. Not unless he requires it.

Q. 29. Has it ever been required of you since the Order of December 1808, limiting the money to be left in your hands to £. 300?—A. I do not know that it has.

Q. 30. In your drafts to the Bank are you required to specify the Services for which they are drawn?—A. Always.

Q. 31. What payments are made out of the monies allowed by the Order of December 1808 to

to remain in your own hands?—A. Those to the In-Pensioners, Furlough-men, Watchmen, Nurses, Gardener, and others, whose demands are paid as they become due. *Lieut. Col. Wilson.*

Q. 32. How is the Service expressed in the draft on which this money is obtained from the Bank?—A. To pay the House, or to pay the Pensioners, but generally the former.

Q. 33. Under what authority do you issue money to the Agent for the Out-Pensioners?—A. On Warrants from the Board.

Q. 34. Does the Agent furnish you with any Account or Statement of his Receipts, Payments and Balances?—A. He furnishes me weekly, under an Order of the Paymaster General or of the Board, with an abstract of his Account, stating the Balance in hand, and what part of it is in the Bank of England.

Q. 35. What use is made of the Accounts thus furnished you?—A. I know that he is limited by an Order of the Board to retain not more than £. 5,000 in his own hands, and this Abstract enables me to check that amount, which I consider it my duty to do, and I understand duplicates of these Abstracts are furnished to the Paymaster General, and the Agent's Balance at the end of the half-year is always (c) deducted from the sum required for the half-year ensuing.

Q. 36. On what authority, and at what times, do you pay the Bills for the expenses of the House?—A. The Bills are first carried to the Comptroller, Steward, or other Officers to whose Departments they immediately belong, by whom they are examined and certified, and the Comptroller then makes out an Abstract of their amount, which Abstract, together with the Bills, is laid before the Board, and Warrants are made out for the several sums, on the authority of which I pay them; these payments are made half-yearly.

Q. 37. Do you make any payments except under the authority of Warrants?—A. There are various small payments made in the course of the half-year, such as those to the Whittier, the Gardener, the Furlough-men, Men going on the Out-Pension, Parochial Taxes, and some others; these Bills when paid are carried to the Comptroller, who includes them in an Abstract at the end of the half-year, and Warrants are then obtained to justify the payments.

Q. 38. What Accounts do you furnish of the monies which pass through your hands?—A. As I said before, I furnish the Paymaster General, as Treasurer, with an account quarterly of the Receipts and Disbursements, shewing the balance; and I furnish an annual Account to the Office of Audit of all Receipts and Disbursements, with the Vouchers in support of the same.

Q. 39. Is that annual Account which is delivered to the Audit Office, previously examined by the Board, or any other authority?—A. It is delivered to the Paymaster General, and goes in as part of his Account; it is not examined by any other authority.

Q. 40. To what period has this annual Account been made up and delivered to the Paymaster General?—A. To the 24th December 1810, and was delivered to the Paymaster General before the 24th March 1811.

Q. 41. Do you know whether this Account has since been transmitted to the Office of Audit, and if it has, whether any proceedings have yet been had on it there?—A. It has been delivered over to the Audit Office, and has been there examined, and has since been declared.

Additions and Amendments by Lieutenant Colonel WILSON, on the 27th February 1812.

A. 8. (a) After "two rooms" add, "and a lobby."

A. 10 (b) Instead of my former answer, I beg to substitute, "A person whom I also employ as a domestic servant."

A. 35. (c) Instead of the word "always," substitute "now, and for about two years past has been."

Further examination of Lieutenant Colonel WILSON, on the 27th February 1812.

Q. 42. For what purpose do you attend at the Bank, and on the Accountant General at the Court of Chancery, for which there is a charge for coach hire of £. 7 10 s. in your Contingent Bill, in each half-year of 1810?—A. I attend at the Bank for the purpose of having the sums received from the Paymaster General entered in my book, and to have my drafts entered up, which is required to be frequently done; and to obtain checks for drawing upon the Bank, for which I give receipts; and I attend at the Accountant General's to receive dividends from Stock left for the benefit of the Pensioners by Lord Ranelagh and Mr. La Fontaine; and the charge includes other occasions of attendance, as on the Paymaster General, and at the Audit Office, and some others.

Q. 43. In what manner do the large balances arise, which appear from the Statement received from you to be in your hands, or at your disposal at the commencement of the several half-years from the 25th December 1805, to the 24th June 1811?—A. From the deduction of One Shilling in the Pound, made by Act of Parliament, from all sums issued to the Agent of Out-Pensioners.

Lieut. Col. Wilson.

- Q. 44. Are there any charges on the Fund thus arising?—A. There were several charges on it, such as the salary of the Agent of the Out-Pensioners of £. 1,000 a year, an allowance to the Deputy Treasurer of two Shillings per day, which were allowed out of that Fund by King's Warrant; and the Deputy Treasurer's salary of £. 600 a year was also charged to this Fund; but these are now charged on the Establishment of the Hospital; and the only charges now remaining on it, are the Annuities paid to the private Gentlemen of the late 1st and 2^d Troops of Horse Guards, and the allowances to the Gibraltar Serjeants, which last I believe are in future to be paid out of the sums issued to the Agent of Out-Pensioners. A further charge has been lately made upon this Fund by a Warrant from the Prince Regent, granting an annuity of £. 25 a year to the widow of the late Master Butler.
- Q. 45. Do you keep and render a separate account of the Fund arising from the deductions?—A. I do.
- Q. 46. To whom is such Account rendered, and at what periods?—A. To the Board whenever required.
- Q. 47. Who has authority to direct issues from this Fund?—A. Issues from the Fund are always made in consequence of Warrants from the Board.
- Q. 48. Do these Warrants expressly direct you to make the payments out of the Fund arising from the deductions?—A. No, but out of whatever monies may be in my hands.
- Q. 49. How then are you able to make out a distinct account of the Receipts and Payments belonging to this Fund?—A. Because all payments not intended to be made out of that Fund are returned to me at the end of the half-year.
- Q. 50. By whom is this proceeding regulated and directed, and in what manner is it done?—A. The Secretary and Register prepares the Warrants, and keeps an account of the Warrants that are issued in the course of the half-year, which are specified in the Requisition made to the Treasury, through the Paymaster General, for the payment of the House half-yearly, and added thereto; and by these means the sums I have advanced are returned to me.
- Q. 51. When did you last make up any separate account of this Poundage Fund, and lay it before the Board of Commissioners?—A. To the 24th December 1811.
- Q. 52. Supposing that the Annuities payable to the private Gentlemen of the late 1st and 2^d Troops of Horse Guards, as well as the Allowance to the Gibraltar Serjeants, were to be paid in future out of Monies issued to the Agent of Out-Pensioners, would there be any inconvenience in putting an end to this Poundage Fund?—A. I am not aware of any other inconvenience than that there would be no Funds to resort to for the unforeseen services of the Hospital.
- Q. 53. How does the Prize Money come into your hands which is under your management?—A. Under the authority of the Acts of Parliament passed in the 45th, 49th, and 51st of His present Majesty, and is paid to me by the Agents and others who have had the distribution of the same.
- Q. 54. What steps are taken to compel the Agents to exhibit their Accounts, and to pay the balances to you?—A. The Agents are required by the Acts before mentioned to give me notice of distribution, and at the end of four months, from the commencement of the distribution, they are further directed to exhibit to the Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer of Chelsea Hospital, an Account of their Receipts and Payments, and to pay over to me the balance then remaining, which if they fail to do, I know by the Gazettes that they have made default, and I report the same to the Board, and am directed to call upon them accordingly.
- Q. 55. Where do you keep the Monies which you receive from these Agents?—A. At the Bank of England in a separate Account, entitled "Unclaimed Prize-money Account."
- Q. 56. Who directs the application of this Money?—A. The Board.
- Q. 57. To what purposes is it applicable?—A. To pay such shares as may be claimed by the parties entitled thereto, and such part of the surplus as the Board shall direct to be vested in the Funds or other Government Securities.
- Q. 58. What Accounts do you render of this Money?—A. I render an Account to the Board at the end of every Quarter, and an annual Account to Parliament.
- Q. 59. On an inspection of your Bank Book, we observe several large sums transferred from the Prize-money Account to the Account of Chelsea Hospital; by what authority was this done, and for what purpose?—A. It was done by the authority of the Board, having been deducted in the Estimate for Chelsea Hospital laid before Parliament.
- Q. 60. We observe in the same Book, some Drafts on your Hospital Account to the order of Unclaimed Prize-money, the amount of which was afterwards replaced; how do you explain this?—A. It has happened twice or thrice that the reserve for current demands on the Prize-money

Prize-money Account has been exhausted, and these sums have been borrowed from *Lieut. Col. Wilson.* the General Hospital Fund, and afterwards replaced when the Agents made farther payments.

(Signed) *Sam. Cox,
Giles Templeman,
Henry Peters,
Cha. Bosanquet.*

(Signed) JOHN WILSON.

Appendix, No. 15.

Examination of Captain LOFTUS NUNN, Comptroller of Chelsea Hospital; taken upon Oath, on the 5th of March 1812.

- Q. 1. HOW long have you held the situation of Comptroller of Chelsea Hospital?—A. About seventeen or eighteen years. *Captain Nunn.*
- Q. 2. What are your present Salary and Emoluments?—A. I receive, including the usual allowance of Diet-money, £. 234 a year, the Taxes having been previously deducted; I have also the regulated allowance of Coals and Candles.
- Q. 3. Do you constantly reside in the Hospital?—A. Yes.
- Q. 4. Have you any other duties to execute, than those which are described in the Establishment of Chelsea Hospital, published in the Appendix to the 34th Report of the Select Committee of Finance?—A. I have not, as will appear by my Instructions, which I now produce.
- Q. 5. Have you an Office distinct from your Apartments in the Hospital?—A. No.
- Q. 6. Have you any assistance in executing those duties, or is there any expense attending the execution of them, which is charged to the Hospital?—A. I am occasionally assisted, but there is no charge made to the Public on that account.
- Q. 7. When it is resolved to advertise for Tenders for the supply of any Articles, are you consulted on the patterns and quality of the Articles wanted, and on the prices at which they ought to be supplied?—A. I am not.
- Q. 8. To whom are the Tenders delivered, and in whose presence are they opened?—A. They are delivered to the Board, where I presume they are opened.
- Q. 9. What is the usual nature and duration of the Hospital Contracts?—A. They are for such quantities as may be wanted, and fresh Contracts are made every year.
- Q. 10. What description of Articles are now supplied, and what Services are now executed under Contracts made after public notice calling for Tenders?—A. For the supply of Beef and Mutton, Bread, Salt, Pease and Oatmeal, Cheese and Butter, Beer, Coals and Candles, and I believe there is a Contract for lighting the Lamps; all the Contracts are made after public notice for Tenders.
- Q. 11. By whom are the Tradesmen and Artificers selected and appointed, who supply those Articles, or execute those Services which are not included in your last Answer?—A. By the Board, I believe.
- Q. 12. Do you take any part in recommending them?—A. No.
- Q. 13. By whom are the Artificers Bills, such as the Painter's, Joiner's, Bricklayer's, Smith's, &c. inspected and certified?—A. By me.
- Q. 14. How do you ascertain that the work has been actually performed, and that the charges for that and for the materials supplied, are fair and reasonable?—A. I cannot ascertain any thing of that kind.
- Q. 15. By whom is it done?—A. They are examined by the Clerk of the Works before they are brought to me.
- Q. 16. By whom are the Apothecary's Bills for Medicines checked and allowed?—A. They are signed by the Physician.
- Q. 17. By whom are the Tradesmen's Bills checked, and the fairness of the prices charged by them ascertained?—A. That is a good deal left to me.
- Q. 18. Do you know to whom and for what purpose the Furniture was supplied, for which there is a charge of £. 563. 2s. 4d. in the Hospital Accounts of 1810?—A. It is my duty to go through the Wards, and to inspect the state of the Furniture and Bedding, and to report to the Board when any Articles are wanting; but I do not recollect the particular purpose for which that Furniture was supplied; it was probably brought in, in lieu of Articles unfit for further service.

Captain Nunn.

Q. 19. Is any Furniture now supplied to the Hospital of which you are not previously informed?—A. No Furniture can come in but by an order of the Board, and I must be acquainted with it.

Q. 20. Do you inspect the Bills to see that no Furniture is charged as having been supplied to Officers Apartments?—A. Yes.

Q. 21. Are there any regulations respecting the use of Stationery in the Hospital?—A. The Officers who want Stationery apply to Mr. Aust for it.

Q. 22. Who checks the Stationer's Bill?—A. I believe Mr. Aust checks it before it comes to me, for the orders for supply go through his hands.

Q. 23. Whence do the Officers of the Hospital receive their regulated Allowances of Coals?—A. From the Coal-yard belonging to the Hospital.

Q. 24. Does the Gardener now make out a Bill for the expense of keeping the Gardens in order, or does he take care of them and keep them stocked for a fixed sum?—A. I believe he keeps them in complete order for a fixed sum.

Q. 25. Is it your duty to see that the Garden is stocked, and that it is kept in good order?—A. It is my duty.

Q. 26. What is done with the produce of the Garden?—A. A great part of it goes to the Pensioners, and the Officers of the Hospital get some.

Q. 27. Do you know what is the extent of the Garden?—A. I believe it is about three acres.

Q. 28. Are any Vegetables purchased for the use of the Pensioners?—A. In general none are purchased, but it may have happened occasionally.

Q. 29. Do the Master Cook and Master Butler make out Bills for the Provisions and Wine furnished at the festivals, or do they contract to furnish them for fixed sums?—A. They make out Bills for them, specifying the quantities furnished.

(Signed) *Giles Templeman,
Henry Peters,
B. C. Stephenson,
L. Bradshaw.*

(Signed) LOFTUS NUNN.

Appendix, No. 16.

STATEMENT of the Balance of Account of the Deputy Treasurer of Chelsea Hospital, on the 24th June and 25th December in each year, from the 25th December 1805 to the 24th June 1811, inclusive.

									£.	s.	d.
1805 -	24th of December -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,503	18	—
1806 -	{ 24th of June -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,652	0	3
	{ 24th of December -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,668	16	2
1807 -	{ 24th of June -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,377	10	5
	{ 24th of December -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,593	18	10
1808 -	{ 24th of June -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,686	12	2
	{ 24th of December -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44,164	1	5
1809 -	{ 24th of June -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,217	—	6
	{ 24th of December -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31,479	6	6
1810 -	{ 24th of June -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38,512	—	5
	{ 24th of December -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,623	5	2
1811 -	24th of June	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24,608	11	7

N. B. The Balance during the period of this Account has been kept in the Bank of England, except a sum reserved in the Deputy Treasurer's hands, varying from about £.1,500 to £.300 to answer the current payments of the House, which, by direction of the Board in the month of December 1808, was limited to £.300, and does not now exceed that Sum.

(Signed) JOHN WILSON,
Deputy Treasurer.

AN ACCOUNT of the Deductions of *Tax/te Pence* in the Pound, stopped on Payments made to Out-Pensioners of CHelsea Hospital; from the 25th of December 1800,- to the 24th of December 1810.

Dr		Cr	
£.	s. d.	£.	s. d.
To Deductions made on Payments to Joseph Smith, esq. Agent to the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea Hospital, from the 25th December 1800 to 24th Dec ^r 1801 - - - - -		By applied to the use of Chelsea Hospital, from the 25th December 1800 to 24th December 1801 - - - - -	
	6,409 1 2½		5,854 3 6
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1801 to 24th Dec ^r 1802 - - -	8,233 3 ½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1801 to 24th Dec ^r 1802 - - -	5,804 6 ½
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1802 to 24th Dec ^r 1803 - - -	9,620 5 2½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1802 to 24th Dec ^r 1803 - - -	5,794 8 1
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1803 to 24th Dec ^r 1804 - - -	8,824 17 4½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1803 to 24th Dec ^r 1804 - - -	5,733 11 -
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1804 to 24th Dec ^r 1805 - - -	8,715 13 4½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1804 to 24th Dec ^r 1805 - - -	5,655 19 6
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1805 to 24th Dec ^r 1806 - - -	8,792 4 8½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1805 to 24th Dec ^r 1806 - - -	5,562 2 -
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1806 to 24th Dec ^r 1807 - - -	17,716 2 1½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1806 to 24th Dec ^r 1807 - - -	4,856 4 -
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1807 to 24th Dec ^r 1808 - - -	19,018 3 ½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1807 to 24th Dec ^r 1808 - - -	32,779 18 4½
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1808 to 24th Dec ^r 1809 - - -	19,876 9 4½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1808 to 24th Dec ^r 1809 - - -	4,820 10 -
To - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1809 to 24th Dec ^r 1810 - - -	15,377 6 ½	By - - D ^o - - D ^o - - from 25th Dec ^r 1809 to 24 h Dec ^r 1810 - - -	24,833 11 11
£.	122,603 10 7½	Deduct the sum for which Warrants from His Majesty have been granted	101,694 14 5½
		Remainder, for which a Warrant has been granted - - - £.	40,468 14 -
			61,226 - 5½

(Signed) JOHN WILSON, Deputy Treas^r.

Appendix, No. 18.

STATEMENT of BALANCES of the Accounts of the Agent to the Out-Pensioners of CHELSEA HOSPITAL, on the 24th of June and the 25th of December, in each year; from the 25th of December 1805 to the 24th of June 1811.

	Balance of the General Account.			In Agents Hands.			In the Bank of England.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Balance, 25th Dec. 1805	28,588	18	9½	28,588	18	9½	—		
- 24th June 1806	26,332	3	6	26,332	3	6	—		
- 25th Dec. 1806	33,867	12	11½	33,867	12	11½	—		
- 24th June 1807	10,960	14	7	10,960	14	7	—		
- 25th Dec. 1807	27,866	7	9½	27,866	7	9½	—		
- 24th June 1808	20,392	9	8½	4,104	3	1½	16,288	6	7
- 25th Dec. 1808	15,115	17	6½	4,803	19	6½	10,311	18	—
- 24th June 1809	24,514	7	5	4,950	4	3	19,564	3	2
- 25th Dec. 1809	28,773	12	9½	6,664	18	6½	22,108	14	3
- 24th June 1810	37,197	1	3½	3,467	19	5½	33,729	1	10
- 25th Dec. 1810	5,960	18	11	4,211	18	9	1,749	—	2
- 24th June 1811	9,271	7	5½	3,176	—	—	6,094	10	11

Agents Office, Chelsea Hospital, }
20 November 1811. }

(Signed) JOHN SMITH.

Appendix, No. 19.

LETTER from GEORGE AUST, Esq. Commissary General of Musters, to the Commissioners of Military Enquiry.

Commissary General's Office,
7th March 1812.

Gentlemen,

IN compliance with your Requisition, I have the honour to send you enclosed the present Establishment of this Office, with a Statement of the Contingent Allowances annually voted by Parliament, and authorized by His Majesty's Warrant.

Not having been prepared for an Examination before you, respecting this Office, it has since occurred to me, that I ought perhaps to have stated to you particularly, though I perceived the matter was known to you from former reports, that a material part of the business of this Department, consists in the entry in the Registers, of all Military Commissions and Leaves of Absence to Officers, as directed by the Articles of War; but that the latter part of this duty, viz. the entry of the Leaves of Absence to Officers, has been in arrear for upwards of two years past, owing to my not having been able to obtain, notwithstanding frequent solicitations, the requisite Notifications for this purpose, which had been usually transmitted to me from the War Office.

It may be proper also to observe, that since the Regulations in 1798, stated in the 36th Report of the Select Committee of Finance, to which you referred, the interior Business of this Department has been considerably increased, by the Musters being taken monthly instead of half-yearly; so that from the two Muster Rolls in a year, the number is augmented to twelve for every Regiment and Corps (except the Guards), the examination and registering of which, have occasioned constant employment, and required the assistance of additional Clerks.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) G. AUST.

Appendix, No. 19. (A.)

Questions from the Commissioners of Military Enquiry, to Wm. MERRY, Esq.
with his Answers.

Mr. Merry.

Q. 1. THE present expediency or utility of entering in Registers in the Office of Commissary General of Musters, all Military Commissions and Leaves of Absence?—A. The Secretary at War is not aware of any, so far as his Department is concerned.

Q. 2. Are entries of these Commissions and Leave of Absence registered in any other Department to which reference, when necessary, might be conveniently made?—A. The Commissions are entered in the War Office, and the Leaves of Absence were entered there also, up to the 6th April 1809, the date of the last communication of such Leaves from the Adjutant General.

Q. 3. Where, and what time are the Fees for registering the Commissions and Leaves of Absence received on behalf of the Commissary General of Musters?—A. The Fees of Commissions are collected at the War Office by Mr. Wilkinson, from time to time as the Commissions are signed, and the proportion which belongs to the Commissary General of Musters, for

Appendix,

An ACCOUNT of the Establishment of the Office of the Commissary

OFFICER.	His Name.	Receipt, 1811.				
		Salary.	By whom Paid.	Amount of Fees.	By whom Paid.	Other Emoluments.
		£. d. s.		£. s. d.		£. s. d.
Commissary General -	Geo. Aust, esq. -	319 7 6	The Public.	1,518 6 9	Individuals	150 — — 45 12 6 365 — — 20 — —
Deputy Commissary General - - -	John Tekel, esq. -	419 15 —	Ditto.	None.	- - -	None.
One Chief Clerk and Assistant Commissary - - -	Thomas Butts - -	221 5 —	Ditto.	272 17 4	Individuals	108 2 2 200 — —
One Clerk - - -	J. E. Butts - -	133 14 8	Ditto.	None.	- - -	None.
One D ^o - - -	George Barke - -	133 14 8	Ditto.	None.	- - -	None.
One D ^o - - -	T. Butts, jun ^r - -	111 8 11	Ditto.	None.	- - -	None.
One D ^o - - -	*D. Bidwell - -	16 14 2	Ditto.	None.	- - -	None.
One D ^o - - -	*W. Amsinck - -	15 12 3	Ditto.	None.	- - -	None.
One Messenger - -	Ja ^s Hides - -	64 17 3	Ditto.	None.	- - -	None.
Necessary Woman -	Ann Hides - -	49 — —	Commissary General.	None.	- - -	None.

The Official House at Whitehall, was allotted to the Commissary General in 1800, in exchange for the South Pavilion of that House, in Rent and Taxes, amounts to £. 255 per annum.

In April 1809, a representation was made, through the Secretary at War, to the Treasury, for £. 200 per annum, to a which one-fourth part was allotted, at the desire of the Commissary General, to the support of the former, till provision

A representation was also made at the same time, in behalf of the junior Clerks, for an augmentation of their Salaries, duties. This is still under consideration; but if granted, it would raise the Second Clerk to £. 250, the third to £. 200, and £. 100 per annum.

* Appointed in October 1811, at a Salary of £. 100 per annum.

for registering Commissions, is paid over to him quarterly; the Fees on Leaves of Absence are collected by the Commissary General of Musters himself.

Mr. Merry.

Q. 4. If the War Office is regularly informed of the Leaves of Absence of Officers, what is the reason that notification of them has not of late been communicated to the Commissary General of Musters?—A. The War Office has not been regularly informed by the Adjutant General since the 6th April 1809, but the subject is now under discussion.

Q. 5. Are the names in the Regimental Pay Lists and Adjutants Rolls, now arranged in alphabetical order?—A. They are in the former, for the whole Regiment; but in the latter, they are stated alphabetically, by Troops and Companies.

Q. 6. At what times, and by whom are Duplicates or Copies of these communicated to the Office of the Commissary General of Musters?—A. The Pay Lists are not communicated; but the Duplicate Adjutant's Rolls, which are furnished only by Corps abroad, are regularly transmitted to the Commissary General of Musters.

Q. 7. Does the alphabetical registering of the Non-commissioned Officers and Privates in that Office, assist at present any proceedings in the War Office?—A. It does not; but it most probably assists the Commissary General of Musters, in answering the enquiries sent from the War Office as to the existence of Soldiers.

War Office, 14 May 1812.

(Signed)

W. MERRY.

No. 20.

General of Musters, for the Year 1811, with the Average Receipt for the last Three Years.

From whence.	TOTAL Receipt, 1811.	Deductions, 1811.			TOTAL Disbursements, 1811.	NET RECEIPT, 1811.	NET RECEIPT, upon an Average of the last Three Years.
		Taxes.	Clerk.	Other Deductions.			
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.			£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
{ Out of deduc- tion of one day's Pay.							
Postage - -	2,418 6 9	57 15 1	{ Salary to one, £. 200. }	Contingencies of Office, £. 194. 1. 9.	{ 451 16 10	1,966 9 11	2,088 7 9
Contingencies -							
{ Additional Stationery.							
- - -	419 15 --	22 2 9	- - -	{ Expenses of Mustering, £. 10.	{ 32 2 9	387 12 3	366 12 6
{ Public, in lieu of certain Fees abolished.							
{ Commissary General.				{ Gratuity to a Superannuated First Clerk, £. 197. 6. 6.	{ 210 4 11	591 19 7	602 12 3
- - -	133 14 8	13 14 8	- - -	- - -	13 14 8	120 -- --	171 18 9
- - -	133 14 8	13 14 8	- - -	- - -	13 14 8	120 -- --	113 6 8
- - -	111 8 11	11 8 11	- - -	- - -	11 8 11	100 -- --	123 19 9
- - -	16 4 2	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	16 14 2	
- - -	15 12 3	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	15 12 3	
- - -	64 17 3	4 17 3	- - -	- - -	4 17 3	60 -- --	60 -- --
- - -	49 -- --	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	49 -- --	49 -- --

the Horse Guards, which had belonged to that Department, from its rebuilding in 1759. The expense to the Public for Superannuated First Clerk, which would have put the present into the receipt of the whole of his Pay and Emoluments, of should be made for him by Government. proportionate to the length of their services, on the same scale as that of the Juniors in the War Office, employed in similar the fourth to £. 150 per annum; and the Messenger's Salary was also proposed to have been increased from £. 60 to

Appendix, No. 21.

WARRANT appointing Commissioners for the Management of the Affairs of the Royal Military Asylum at Chelsea.

GEORGE R.

TO Our most dearly beloved Son Frederick Duke of York, Commander in Chief of all Our Forces in Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or to the General Commanding in Chief Our said Forces for the time being; Our Secretary at War for the time being; Our right trusty and well-beloved William Windham, late Our Secretary at War; Our Bishops of London and Winchester for the time being, Our Paymaster General of Our Land Forces in Great Britain, Our Master General of the Ordnance, Our Quarter-master General, Our Adjutant General, Our Barrack-master General, Our Governor and Lieutenant Governor of Our Royal Hospital at Chelsea, Our Colonels of the two Regiments of Life Guards, Our Judge Advocate General, Our Commissary General of Stores and Provisions in Great Britain, Our Chaplain General of Our Forces, and Our Deputy Secretary at War: all for the time being:—Know ye, that We reposing especial trust and confidence in your prudence, management, care and circumspection, have thought fit to constitute and appoint, and by these Presents do constitute and appoint you to be Commissioners for the government of Our Royal Military Asylum, which We have been pleased to establish at Chelsea, for the maintenance and education of a certain number of Orphan and other Children of the Non-commissioned Officers and Soldiers of Our Army; and for the direction, management, and controul of all Affairs belonging thereto: And it is Our royal pleasure, that Our said Commander in Chief shall be the President, and Our said Secretary at War the Vice President of Our Royal Military Asylum.

And

Appendix,

ACCOUNT of The Establishment of the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM, with the Numbers, Salaries, and have taken place between those periods, with the Authorities for the same; also,

ESTABLISHMENT in 1803.			ESTABLISHMENT	
Number of each Rank.	Salaries, &c.	Emoluments.	Number of each Rank.	Salaries, &c.
	£. s. d.			£. s. d.
1 Commandant -	300 — — per ann.	Lodging, Coal, and Candles	1 Commandant -	500 — — per ann.
1 Treasurer * -	- - - -	- - - -	1 Treasurer -	300 — — D° -
1 Chaplain -	200 — — D° -	Lodging, Coal, and Candles	1 Chaplain -	350 — — D° -
1 Secretary -	120 — — D° -	- D° - - D° -	{ 1 Adjutant and } Secretary - }	— 10 — per diem.

* N. B. The Treasurer, previously to 1805, had no Salary or Emolument,

And We do hereby direct, require, and command you Our said Commissioners, or any five of you, of whom either Our Commander in Chief, Secretary at War, Paymaster General, or Governor of Chelsea Hospital, shall always be one, to prepare and present to Us, for Our royal approbation, such Rules and Instructions as to you shall appear most proper for the good government of Our said Asylum, and for the attainment of the humane objects for which it is erected ; and further, to prepare and present to Us, for Our royal approbation, such Establishment of Officers as may be deemed necessary to be appointed in Our said Asylum, together with the Salaries and Allowances fitting to be annexed to their respective employments.

And We do hereby direct and command, that in all cases whatsoever, where any Order or Orders, Warrant or Warrants, are to be granted for the payment of any sum or sums of money, for the uses of Our said Asylum, every such Order or Warrant shall be signed by you Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, (Our Commander in Chief, Secretary at War, Paymaster General, or Governor of Chelsea Hospital, being always one as aforesaid) : And We do hereby give and grant unto you Our said Commissioners, or any five or more of you, of whom Our said Commander in Chief, Secretary at War, Paymaster General, or Governor of Chelsea Hospital, shall always be one, full power and authority generally to do and perform all such other matters and things, as you in your discretion shall judge expedient for the due government and maintenance of Our said Asylum ; subject to such further Orders, Regulations and Instructions, as We shall at any time or times hereafter think fit to give under Our Royal Sign Manual, relating to Our said Asylum, and to the government thereof.

And this Our Commission shall be to you and every of you a sufficient Warrant and Discharge for all acts done in pursuance hereof.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 24th day of June 1801, in the forty-first year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

(Signed) C. YORKE.

No. 22.

Emoluments of the respective Officers, Servants, &c. for the Years 1803 and 1811; shewing the Alterations which the other Situations under Government, held by Persons on this Establishment.

in 1811.

Emoluments.	Alterations, and by what Authority.	Other Situations held under Government.	Emoluments.
			£. s. d.
{ Lodging, Coal, and Candles - - }	Salary increased to £.365. { H. M. Warrant from £.300. - - - { 26 April 1805. D ^o - - - to £.500. { H. M. Warrant from £.365. - - - { 20 Aug. 1809.	Half-pay as Commissary and Paymaster to the Ordnance Department, that served in Flanders and the Cape of Good Hope, from the year 1793 to 1801 - - -	- 10 - per diem.
- - Not any - -	H. M. Warrant, 26 April 1805 - - -	Army Agent - - -	- . .
{ Lodging, Coal, and Candles - - }	Salary increased to £.280. { H. M. Warrant, from £.200. - - - { 26 April 1805. Ditto - - - to £.350. { H. M. Warrant, from £.280. - - - { 10 Aug. 1809		
- D ^o - - - D ^o - and £.50 a year for assisting the Commandant in the duties of the Muster Board's Minutes, 13 June 1808 - - }	H. M. Warrant, 26 April 1805 - - -	Half-pay Lieutenant 62d Regiment, on the Irish Establishment - - -	33 10 - per ann.

but was allowed £. 60 a year for a Clerk and Stationery.

(continued.)

ESTABLISHMENT in 1803.			ESTABLISHMENT	
Number of each Rank.	Salaries, &c.	Emoluments.	Number of each Rank.	Salaries, &c.
	£. s. d.			£. s. d.
1 Steward - -	100 — — per ann.	Lodging, Coal, and Candles	{ 1 Quarter-mas- ter and Steward }	180 — — per ann.
			1 Surgeon - -	— 15 — per diem.
			1 Assistant Surgeon	— 5 — D° -
1 Matron - -	50 — — D° -	{ - D° - - D° - } and £.37. 10s. in lieu of Provisions and Tea - }	1 Matron - -	130 — — per ann.
1 Assistant Matron -	20 — — D° -	{ Lodging, Coal, and Can- dles, and 1s. per diem in lieu of Provisions - }	1 Assistant Matron -	60 — — D°
			1 Reading Mistress	50 — — D° -
			1 Knitting Mistress	50 — — D° -
			1 Seamstress -	50 — — D° -
1 Serjeant Major -	— 2 — per diem.	{ Lodging, Coal, Candles, } Provisions and Clothing }	1 Serjeant Major -	— 3 — per diem.
			1 Q ^r Master Serjeant	— 3 — D° -
1 Serj ^t Master Taylor	— 1 6 D° -	- D° - - D° -	1 Master Taylor, D°	— 2 4 D° -
1 D° Master Shoe- maker - - }	— 1 6 D° -	- D° - - D° -	{ 1 Master Shoe- maker, D° - }	— 2 4 D° -
			1 Hospital Serjeant	— 1 10 D° -
2 Serjeant Assistants	— 1 6 each D°	- D° - - D° -	{ 10 Serjeant Assis- tants - - }	— 1 10 each D°
1 Serjeant Porter -	— 1 6 D° -	{ D° - - D° - } Clothing, and 1 s. per diem in lieu of Provisions }	1 Serjeant Porter -	— 2 10 D° -
			2 Pioneer Corporals	— 2 6 each D°
1 Drummer - -	— 1 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ D° -	{ Lodging, Coal, Candles, } Provisions and Clothing }	1 Drummer - -	— 1 2 D° -
1 Laundress - -	20 — — per ann.	- D° - - D° -	1 Laundress - -	20 — — per ann.
			3 Assis ^t Laundresses	10 — — each D°
1 Cook - -	20 — — D° -	- D° - - D° -	1 Cook - -	20 — — D° -
1 Assistant Cook -	10 — — D° -	- D° - - D° -	3 Assistant Cooks -	10 — — each D°
6 Nurses - -	10 — — each D°	- D° - - D° -	6 Hospital Nurses -	12 — — each D°
			27 Nurses - -	10 — — each D°
1 Labourer - -	— 12 — per week	Not any - - -	—	—
			2 Journeymen Tay- lors - - }	— 3 — each per diem.
			1 Journeyman Shoe- maker - - }	— 3 — D° -
			28 Boys } Corporals	— — 2 each per week.
			16 Girls }	
			14 Boys } Lance	
			8 Girls } Corporals	— — 1 each D°

Appendix, No. 23.

RETURN of CASUALTIES among the Children in the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM, Chelsea, from the commencement of the Institution, 29th August 1803, to the 8th May 1812, inclusive.

YEAR.	Number of Children in the Asylum.			Dead.			Deserted.			Apprenticed.			Delivered to their Parents, by Order of the Commissioners.			Detained by their Parents when on pass.			Volunteered for the Army, and joined their Regiments.			Alteration since last Return.		
	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
1803	76	47	123	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Admitted	-	-
1804	381	199	580	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	2	6	1	1	2	-	-	-	Dead	-	-
1805	591	285	876	8	2	10	1	-	1	5	5	25	17	8	25	4	2	6	1	-	-	Deserted	-	-
1806	650	287	937	4	7	11	2	-	2	17	14	9	5	4	9	7	3	10	15	-	-	Apprenticed	-	-
1807	660	290	950	15	5	20	1	-	1	55	20	25	14	11	25	6	1	7	19	-	-	Delivered to their Parents	-	-
1808	713	321	1,034	2	2	4	-	-	-	50	16	29	18	11	29	6	1	7	24	-	-	Detained by their Parents	-	-
1809	784	341	1,125	6	3	9	-	-	-	54	24	32	25	7	32	6	5	11	27	-	-	Volunteered for the Army	-	-
1810	724	346	1,070	15	2	17	-	-	-	84	29	55	47	8	55	12	5	17	51	-	-			
1811	793	399	1,192	10	-	10	-	-	-	117	59	57	38	19	57	8	-	8	25	-	-			
8 May 1812	779	398	1,177	2	-	2	-	-	-	48	25	10	8	2	10	2	2	4	30	-	-			
TOTAL - -	-	-	-	62	23	85	4	-	4	430	192	248	176	72	248	52	20	72	192	-	-			

On the 24th Dec.

(Signed) John Lugard,
Adj't & Secy.

Appendix, No. 24.

ESTIMATE of the Money necessary to defray the Expense of the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM, Chelsea, for the present Establishment of 1,140 Children, for 365 days; from 25th December 1810, to 24th December 1811, both days inclusive.

							Per Annum.	Per Annum.
Pay, Salary and Wages:							£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1	Commandant	-	-	-	-	-	500 — —	
1	Treasurer	-	-	-	-	-	300 — —	
1	Chaplain	-	-	-	-	-	350 — —	
1	Adjutant and Secretary	-	-	-	-	10/ per diem	182 10 —	
1	Quarter-master and Steward	-	-	-	-	-	180 — —	
1	Surgeon	-	-	-	-	15/ per diem	273 15 —	
1	Assistant Surgeon	-	-	-	-	5/ - D°	91 5 —	
1	Matron	-	-	-	-	-	100 — —	
1	Assistant Matron	-	-	-	-	- D°	50 — —	
1	Reading Mistress	-	-	-	-	- D°	43 5 —	
1	Knitting D°	-	-	-	-	- D°	43 5 —	
1	Seamstress	-	-	-	-	- D°	43 5 —	
1	Serjeant Major	-	-	-	-	3/ per diem	54 15 —	
1	Quarter-master Serjeant	-	-	-	-	3/ - D°	54 15 —	
1	Master Taylor Serjeant	-	-	-	-	2/4 - D°	42 11 8	
1	Master Shoemaker D°	-	-	-	-	2/4 - D°	42 11 8	
1	Hospital Serjeant	-	-	-	-	1/10 D°	33 9 2	
9	Serjeants Assistants	-	-	-	-	each 1/10 D°	301 2 6	
1	Porter Serjeant	-	-	-	-	2/10 D°	51 14 2	
2	Pioneer Corporals	-	-	-	-	each 2/6 - D°	91 5 —	
1	Drummer	-	-	-	-	1/2 - D°	21 5 10	
1	Laundress	-	-	-	-	-	20 — —	
2	Assistant Laundresses	-	-	-	-	each £.10 per annum	20 — —	
1	Cook	-	-	-	-	- D°	20 — —	
3	Assistant Cooks	-	-	-	-	each £.10 - D°	30 — —	
4	Hospital Nurses	-	-	-	-	each £.12 - D°	48 — —	
22	Nurses	-	-	-	-	each £.10 - D°	220 — —	
2	Journeyman, Taylor and Shoemaker, each	-	-	-	-	£.54. 15s. D°	109 10 —	
36	Corporals	-	-	-	-	each 2d. per week	15 12 —	
18	Lance Corporals	-	-	-	-	each 1d. per week	3 18 —	
								3,337 15 —
Provisions:								
48	Serjeants Nurses, Cooks and Laundresses	-	-	-	-	each £.21. 15s. 7½d. per annum	1,045 9 —	
1,140	Children	-	-	-	-	each £.9. 19s. 10½d. - D°	11,392 17 6	
								12,438 6 6
Clothing and Repairs:								
15	Serjeants	-	-	-	-	each £.3. 18s. per annum	58 10 —	
2	Pioneer Corporals	-	-	-	-	each £.2. 0s. 10½d. - D°	4 1 9	
1	Drummer	-	-	-	-	-	3 18 —	
33	Nurses, Cooks and Laundresses	-	-	-	-	each £.2. 13s. 10d. - D°	88 16 6	

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	Per Annum.	Per Annum.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
3 Nurses at the Infant Asylum, } each £.2. 12s. 10d. per annum Isle of Wight - - - }	8 1 6	
792 Boys - - - each £.2. 14s. 7d. - D° -	2,161 10 —	
348 Girls - - - - each £.3. 3s. 1d. - D° -	1,097 13 —	3,422 10 9
Clothing to replace what 85 Boys will take with them on leaving the Asylum in 1811, having then completed their 14th year - - - - each £.2. 8s. 3d.	205 1 3	
Ditto, to replace what 63 Girls will in like manner take with them - - - - - each £.4. 1s. 1½d.	255 10 10½	460 12 1½
Fuel and Candles:		
280 Chaldron of Coals, 13 sacks to the chaldron, trimming included - - - - - at £.3 per chaldron	840 — —	
11,000 Faggots - - - - - at 5s. per hundred	27 10 —	
90 Dozen lbs. of Mould Candles - - at 10s. per dozen lbs.	45 — —	
166 Dozen lbs. of Dip D° - - - - at 9s. 3d. per D° -	76 15 6	989 5 6
Lighting Lamps:		
18 Four-spouted Lamps - - - - - at 60/-	54 — —	
9 Two-spouted Lamps - - - - - at 30/-	13 10 —	
8 Officers Lamps - - - - - at 91/3½	36 10 4	
Oil for Children's Shoes and House Furniture - - - -	30 — —	134 — 4
Laundry Expenses:		
72 cwt. of Yellow Soap - - - - at £.3. 16s. per cwt.	273 12 —	
11 cwt. of Pearlash - - - - at 17/- D° -	9 7 —	
40 Firkins of Soft Soap - - - at £.1. 15s. 6d. per firkin	71 — —	
39 lbs. of Blue - - - - - at 1/8 per lb. -	3 5 —	
100 lbs. of Starch - - - - - at 1/ per lb. -	5 — —	
1,843 days labour of Washerwomen - at 3/- per diem -	276 9 —	
Blanketing for Ironing, Brown Holland for the Mangle, stout Baskets, Irons and Stands, Buckets, Clothes Pins, and Lines - - - - -	20 — —	658 13 —
Utensils:		
Porringers, Plates, Spoons, Knives and Forks, Ladles, Chamber-pots, Brooms, Brushes, Mops, Pails, &c. - - -	- - -	200 — —
House Linen:		
200 Pairs of Dormitory Sheets, to keep up the established number - - - - - at 17/6 per pair	175 — —	
30 Tablecloths - - - - - at £.1. 0s. 7½d. each	30 18 9	
2,280 Towels for Children - - - - - at 9/- each	85 10 —	
14 Pairs of Sheets for Serjeants and Nurses at 21/- per pair	14 14 —	
40 - - D° - - for the Hospital - at 13/1½ - D° -	26 5 —	
200 Pillow-cases for Dormitories - - - at 2/4½ each	23 15 —	
60 - - D° - - for Hospital - - - at 1/4 - D°	4 — —	
260 Yards of Russia Duck (or Towelling) for the Kitchen Laundry, Dormitories, &c. - - - at 10/- per yard	10 16 8	370 19 5
Books, Printing and Stationery:		
For Offices, Schools, &c. - - - - -	395 18 2	
Newspapers for 365 days - 313 at 6½d. and 52 at 7d. each	9 19 10½	
Postage for Letters, for one year - - - - -	12 — —	417 18 —½
Hospital Expenses:		
Medicine, and various other Articles - - - - -	- - -	200 — —

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	Per Annum.	Per Annum.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
New Infirmary :		
Rent (7 Houses) - - - - - £. 280 — —		
Deduct Property Tax - - - - - 28 — —		
	252 — —	
Insurance from Fire, for one year, to Christmas 1811 - - -	7 17 6	
		259 17 6
Contingencies :		
Ordinary Repairs and other Charges for keeping the Buildings, Furniture, &c. in proper condition - - - - -	600 — —	
Taxes, Chelsea Water-works, and Subscriptions to St. George's Hospital - - - - -	210 — —	
Assistance to the Commandant in the business of Paymaster	50 — —	
Other Contingencies - - - - -	60 — —	
Allowance to a Nurse, who has totally lost her sight from Ophthalmia, contracted in attending Children afflicted with that disorder - - - - - at 1s. per diem	18 5 —	
Allowance for 6 Children, who have totally lost their sight in the Asylum, from Ophthalmia - at 6d. per diem each	54 15 —	
		993 — —
Expense that will be incurred to complete the New Infirmary :		
For gravelling the Yard, and making Drains - - - - -	100 10 —	
- - Bedding and Furniture for four Rooms } for Nurses - - - - - } at £. 16 each	64 — —	
- - 33 Sets of single Bedding - - - at £. 4 13. 7d. per set	134 12 3	
- - 7 Closets in Wards - - - - - at £. 5. - - each	35 — —	
- - 7 Cupboards in Nurses Rooms - - - at £. 1. 10s. d° -	10 10 —	
- - 16 Long Forms - - - - - at £. 1. 1s. - d° -	16 16 —	
- - 16 Short D° - - - - - at - 15/- d° -	12 — —	
- - 9 Long Tables - - - - - at £. 3. 3. - d° -	28 7 —	
- - 8 Short D° - - - - - at £. 1. 10s. d° -	12 — —	
- - 8 Iron Fenders for Wards - - - at £. 5 - - d° -	40 — —	
		453 15 3
Infant Asylum in the Isle of Wight for 60 Children - - - - -		24,436 13 5 837 18 $\frac{1}{2}$
	£.	25,274 11 5 $\frac{1}{2}$

(Signed) *John Lugard,*
Adj^t & Sec^y.

Appendix, No. 24. (A.)

COMPARISON between the Commandant's Estimates of Disbursements for the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM, Chelsea; for the years 1810 and 1811.

INCREASE in 1811.			
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Provisions:			
48 Serjeants, Nurses, Cooks, and Laundresses, an annual Increase of $8/8\frac{1}{4}$ each, occasioned by an Advance on some Articles of Provisions - - - - -		20 17 —	
1,140 Children, an annual Increase of $2/2$ each as above -		123 10 —	
			144 7 —
Clothing:			
Clothing, to replace what 15 Boys (more than the number of last year) will take with them on leaving the Asylum in 1811, having then completed their 14th year, each £. 2. 8. 3.		36 3 9	
Clothing, to replace what 32 Girls (more than the number of last year) will take with them on leaving the Asylum in 1811, as above, - - - - - each £. 4. 1. $1\frac{1}{2}$.		129 16 —	
			165 19 9
Fuel:			
30 Chaldrons of Coals, in addition; the Estimate for the year 1810, not having proved sufficient - £. 3 — —		90 — —	
3,000 Faggots, in addition, as above, at 5/per hundred -		7 10 —	
			97 10 —
Lighting Lamps, &c.			
Oil for House Furniture, and Children's Shoes, not estimated for in 1810 - - - - -		- - -	30 — —
Laundry Expenses:			
22 cwt. of Yellow Soap, (on account of the additional number of Towels, Pillow-cases, and Sick Children) at - - - - - £. 3. 16. —		83 12 —	
2 cwt. of Pearl Ash, occasioned as above, at - — 17. —		1 14 —	
8 Firkins of Soft Soap - D° - - D° - at - £. 1. 15. 6.		14 4 —	
179 Days Labour of Washerwomen D° - at - — 3. —		26 17 —	
2 Pence per lb. Advance on 100 lbs. of Starch - - -		— 16 8	
			127 3 8
Utensils:			
The Estimate for the year 1810, not having proved sufficient - - - - -		- - -	20 — —
House Linen:			
30 Pairs of Dormitory Sheets (in addition) to keep up the established number, at $17/6$ per pair - - - - -		26 5 —	
2,280 Towels for Children (on account of the Ophthalmia) at 9d. - - - - -		85 10 —	
14 pairs of Sheets for Serjeants and Nurses - at 21/ -		14 14 —	
40 - D° - D° - for the Hospital - - - at $13/1\frac{1}{2}$ -		26 5 —	
200 Pillow-cases for Dormitories - - - at $2/4\frac{1}{2}$ -		23 15 —	
60 - D° - D° - for Hospital - - - at $1/4$ -		4 — —	
			180 9 —
Hospital Expenses:			
The Estimate for former years not having been found sufficient - - - - -		- - -	180 — —
			(continued.)

	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Contingencies:		
Ordinary Repairs, former Estimates having proved insufficient - - - - -	220 — —	
Rent of 7 Houses for the New Infirmary, the whole of them not having been given up to the Asylum, when the Estimate for 1810 was formed - - - - -	46 15 —	
Allowance to a Nurse, who has totally lost her Sight from Ophthalmia, contracted in attending the Children afflicted with that Disorder - - - - - at 1/ per diem	18 5 —	
Allowance for Six Children, who have totally lost their Sight in the Asylum, from Ophthalmia, - each 6d. per diem	54 15 —	339 15 —
Increase on the Commandant's Estimate - - - - -		1,285 4 5
Increase on the Estimate for the Infant Establishment in the Isle of Wight - - - - -		17 6 —
TOTAL INCREASE - - - £.		1,302 10 5

DECREASE in 1811.		
Candles:		
On 90 dozen lbs. of Mould Candles - at 1/7 per dozen -	7 2 6	
On 166 dozen lbs. of Dip - D° - - at 2/ - D° - -	16 12 —	23 14 6
Laundry Expenses:		
On 50 cwt. of Yellow Soap - - - at 16/ per cwt. -	40 — —	
On 9 cwt. of Pearlash - - - at 14/ - D° - -	6 6 —	
On 32 Firkins of Soft Soap - - - at 4/ per Firkin -	6 8 —	52 14 —
Bedding, &c. required in 1810.		
In consequence of Ophthalmia - - - - -	£. 524 12 1	
For the New Infirmary - - - - -	463 8 4	
For an Augmentation of 160 Children - - - - -	777 15 4	
	1,765 15 9	
Deduct, required in 1811, to complete the New Infirmary -	453 15 3	
Difference - - - - -		1,312 — 6
Augmentation:		
Required in 1810, (per Estimate, N° 2.) which may suffice for the present year, as no material Increase in the number of Children can with propriety be made, until the Ophthalmia shall have considerably abated - - - - -		537 14 3½
		1,926 3 3½
TOTAL INCREASE, as per Contra - -		1,302 10 5
Actual DECREASE on Commandant's Estimate for 1811 - - - £.		623 12 10½

(Signed) John Lugard,
Adj^t & Secy.

Appendix, No. 25.

DISBURSEMENTS and RECEIPTS, by Lieutenant Colonel Williamson, Commandant of the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM; from 25th Dec. 1810 to 24th March 1811, inclusive.

S E R V I C E S.		A m o u n t.		D A T E S o f R E Q U I S I T I O N S.		A m o u n t.	
		£.	s. d.			£.	s. d.
Pay-List of Officers and Servants	-	778	4 5	By the Balance of last Account to 24th December 1810	-	655	8 —
Contingencies	-	192	15 9½	By Cash from the Treasurer, 30th January 1811	-	400	— —
Books, Printing, and Stationery	-	33	— 10	By Cash from the Treasurer, 22d March 1811	-	800	— —
Provisions	-	2,606	12 1½	By Cash from the Treasurer, 11th April 1811	-	6,000	— —
Clothing	-	1,124	1 10				
Repairs, &c. in the Buildings	-	568	19 4½				
Laundry Expenses	-	169	9 4				
Hospital Expenses	-	73	8 6				
Fuel and Candles	-	75	5 5				
Bedding	-	338	14 4				
Taxes	-	116	12 7½				
		6,077	4 7				
January 30th, 1811,—Paid into the hands of the Treasurer, by order of the Board, held the 26th of the said month of January, the Balance of Account to 24th December 1810	-	655	8 —				
Balance in the hands of the Commandant, 25th March 1811	-	1,122	15 5				
		7,855	8 —			£.	7,855 8 —

Examined,
John Lugard,
Adj^t & Sec^y.

Committee, 27 April 1811.

Examined, and found correct,
M. Lewis,
S. Hulse,
Harry Burrard, L. G.

(Signed) *John Lugard,*
Adj^t & Sec^y.

Certified,
George Williamson,
Commandant.

Board, 30 May 1811.

Examined and approved,
David Dundas,
Robert Brownrigg, Q^r M^r Gen^l.
Harry Calvert, A. G.
J. W. Gordon.

Appendix, No. 25. (A)

DISBURSEMENTS and RECEIPTS, by Lieutenant-Colonel Williamson, Commandant of the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM; from 25th March to 24th June 1811, inclusive.

SERVICES.		Amount.		DATES of REQUISITIONS.		Amount.	
		£.	s. d.			£.	s. d.
Pay List of Officers, &c.	-	-	-	By the Balance of last Account, to 24th March 1811	-	1,122	15 5
Contingencies	-	-	-	By Cash from the Treasurer, 24th June 1811	-	700	--- --
Books, Printing and Stationery	-	-	-	By Cash from the Treasurer, 4th July 1811	-	4,000	--- --
Provisions	-	-	-				
Clothing	-	-	-				
Repairs, &c. in the Building	-	-	-				
Bedding and Furniture	-	-	-				
Laundry Expenses	-	-	-				
Hospital Expenses	-	-	-				
Fuel and Candles	-	-	-				
Taxes	-	-	-				
Balance in the hands of the Commandant, 25th June 1811	-	-	-				
		£.				£.	
						5,822	15 5

Examined,
John Lugard,
Adj^t & Secy.

Certified,
George Williamson,
Commandant.

Committee, 17 September 1811.

Board, 8th October 1811.

Examined, and found correct,

Examined and approved,

Robert Brownrigg, Lt Gen^l.
John Owen, Chapⁿ Gen^l.
J. W. Gordon.

(Signed) Ernest, Gen^l.
Adolphus Frederick, Gen^l.
M. Lewis.

ACCOUNT of the General RECEIPTS and DISBURSEMENTS (the latter stated under their respective

A N N U A L									
Year.	Pay List of the Officers and Servants, including the Treasurer's Salary.	Contingencies.	Books, Printing, and Stationery.	Provisions.	Clothing	House Linen.	Laundry Expenses.	Hospital Expenses.	Fuel and Candles.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1801.	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
1802.	- - -	515 12 3½	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
1803.	537 19 —¼	214 2 5½	35 18 —	476 5 5	596 14 4	61 16 —	37 10 —	- - -	160 12 6
1804.	2,057 17 3	796 12 5½	176 6 4	3,785 1 6	2,505 19 3½	41 10 —	287 19 7½	- - -	586 1 3
1805.	2,814 12 7½	751 3 1	341 11 10	7,344 18 8½	2,881 2 7½	143 6 9½	261 16 6	78 16 5	712 6 8
1806.	2,929 19 10	574 9 3	270 15 9	8,393 19 6	2,185 6 9	- - -	413 12 8	79 16 11	910 — 11
1807.	3,065 4 10	579 10 4	366 19 5	8,567 5 8	2,625 15 4	110 5 —	258 18 6	151 4 7	662 6 3
1808.	3,068 16 5½	538 18 7½	395 11 1	9,213 13 1	2,665 2 10½	182 11 3	563 18 —	162 9 —½	872 15 6
1809.	3,312 18 10	624 16 10½	319 15 11	10,774 9 10	2,088 11 1	154 10 10	605 9 11½	250 14 10	634 6 5½
1810.	3,454 3 11	800 1 2½	353 4 8	11,159 2 7½	3,407 7 1½	138 10 —½	734 13 3	369 13 7	1,277 8 1
1811 to 24th June.	1,749 8 10½	337 14 7	205 11 9	5,267 12 6	1,575 13 10	- - -	334 1 6	122 17 10½	234 15 5
TOTAL - £.	22,991 1 8¼	5,733 1 2	2,465 14 9	64,982 8 10	20,531 13 3	832 9 11	3,498 — —	1,215 13 3	6,050 13 —½

Appendix, No. 27.

Contract PRICE of PROVISIONS, &c. at the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM, Chelsea,
for the year 1812, commencing on the 25th December 1811.

Contractors Names.		Articles supplied.	R A T E R per.	
			£. s. d.	
Thomas Dalby	{	Beef	— 3 10	} Per Stone of 8 lb.
		Mutton	— 4 10	
		Suet	— 4 10	
J. and R. White	-	Bacon	3 14 —	} Per Cwt. of 112 lb.
Messrs. Leedham & Warter	{	Cheese	3 14 —	
		Butter	5 18 —	
J. R. Pimm	-	Flour	4 12 —	} Per Sack; Contract resigned 24th April 1812.
D° - D°	-	D° -	5 4 —	
James Payne	-	Bread	— — 3½	} Per Quartern Loaf, under the Assize for Wheaten Bread.
John Bosbury	{	Oatmeal	1 3 —	
		Rice	2 2 —	} Per Cwt. of 112 lb.

(continued.)

- - - No. 26.

Heads) of the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM; from the year 1801, to the 24th June 1811, inclusive.

DISBURSEMENTS.																													
Taxes.			Repairs, &c. in the Buildings, including £.252 per Annum Rent, for the new Infirmary.			Bedding and Furniture.			Purchase of Ground for the Royal Military Asylum, and surrender of Leases, &c. of seven Houses, for a new Infirmary.			Expense of erecting the Royal Military Asylum, including the Architects Commission, and £.802. 9s. 1d. for a new Infirmary.			Expense of the Infant Establishment in the Isle of Wight, including £.4,000 already paid for a new Building.			Treasury Fees, for annual or other Grants for the Royal Military Asylum.			Total Disbursements.			Total Receipts.			Number of Children in the Asylum.		
£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,600	-	-	-	-	-	17	3	-	13,617	3	-	15,599	2	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,400	-	-	-	-	-	8	1	-	21,923	13	3½	21,448	16	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	2,308	11	9	4,687	8	2	23,110	5	-	-	-	-	9	2	-	32,236	4	8¼	31,588	-	-	76	47	123
-	-	-	-	-	-	1,932	-	6	-	-	-	11,036	15	-	-	-	-	9	2	-	23,215	5	2½	26,333	3	10	382	199	581
212	16	3	36	10	5	1,938	17	4	-	-	-	13,168	15	-	632	13	5	9	7	-	31,328	14	8	27,906	4	-	592	286	878
130	16	9	306	8	7	146	1	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	861	17	7	-	-	-	17,203	6	3	17,590	2	8	650	287	937
158	16	9	374	2	3	11	13	4	-	-	-	315	-	-	798	7	8	9	7	-	18,054	16	11	17,361	17	5	661	293	954
158	16	9	576	14	5	379	1	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	754	14	10	-	-	-	19,533	3	10	20,818	5	10½	713	321	1,034
212	14	½	994	12	7	855	17	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	837	1	7¼	-	-	-	21,666	-	6¼	21,429	1	5	790	347	1,137
159	14	2	1,076	18	9	873	3	7	639	15	-	9,738	5	¼	2,453	13	¾	8	6	-	36,644	-	2	36,525	-	4	789	345	1,134
128	17	½	1,042	-	2½	734	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,782	1	-	8	6	-	14,523	14	8	15,181	9	8	779	398	1,177
1,162	11	10	4,407	7	2½	9,180	1	10	5,327	3	2	92,369	-	¼	9,120	9	2	78	14	-	249,946	3	2½	251,781	3	2½	-	-	-
															1,518 7 9 Balance in the hands of the Treasurer, 25th June 1811.														
															316 12 4 Balance in the hands of the Commandant, 25th June 1811.														
															£. 251,781 3 3½														

By Order of the Commissioners,
(Signed) John Lugard,
Adj^t & Sec^y.

N. B. The difference of 1d. arises from some
fractions not having been charged in the Treas-
urer's Accounts.

No. 27.—Contract Prices, &c.—continued.

Contractors Names.		Articles supplied.	R A T E R per.	
			£. s. d.	
William Osmond	-	Pease	— 11 6	} Per Bushel.
David Anderson	-	Salt	— 18 6	
Messrs. J. and G. Hale	-	20s. Beer	— 14 —	} Per Barrel.
Thomas Birks	-	Mould Candles	— 10 9	
	-	Dip Candles	— 9 9	} Per Dozen lb.
James Soames	-	Yellow Soap	3 19 —	
Messrs. Moate	-	Soft Soap	1 11 6	} Per Cwt. of 112 lb.
Benjamin Dring	-	Pearl Ash	1 — —	
A. B. Savory	-	Coals	2 16 —	} Per Firkin of 64 lb.
	-			
	-			} Per Cwt. of 112 lb.
	-			
	-			} Per Chal ⁿ , 13 Sacks to the Chaldron.
	-			

N. B. Coals are contracted for in June.

(Signed) John Lugard,
Adj^t & Sec^y.

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ACCOUNT of the DISBURSEMENTS and RECEIPTS by Lieutenant arising from the sale of Ashes, Rags, Wash, Grass, &c. &c. at the

NAMES.	On what Account paid.	AMOUNT.			
		£.	s.	d.	£. s. d.
James Fisher -	Dung for the Pumps - - - - -	—	2	—	
F. Dixon -	Hay Seed for the Ground in front of the Building	—	10	—	
Thomas Durdon -	Flower Roots and Seeds - - - - -	—	4	3	
Messrs. Colville & Son	Dung and Flower Seeds - - - - -	—	11	7	
Messrs. Frazer & Son	Flower Roots - - - - -	—	9	6	
Thomas Coleman -	Beer for the Pioneer, when Mowing in front } of the Building - - - - - }	—	5	5	
Christian Storea -	Informing the Commandant of the improper } Conduct of the Cooks - - - - - }	—	2	6	
Elizabeth Harrobin -	D ^o - D ^o - D ^o - D ^o - D ^o - - - - -	—	2	6	
John Maxwell -	Bringing back two Boys who had run away } from the Asylum - - - - - }	—	2	6	
Richard Jones -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	—	2	6	
George Scott -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	—	2	6	
William Swift -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	—	1	—	
Thomas Goodfellow -	Remuneration for the Soil from the Privy } having penetrated into his House - - }	—	5	—	
					3 1 3
John Beech -	Reward for good Conduct during his Appren- } ticeship - - - - - }	5	5	—	
Eleanor Burns -	D ^o - - her - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
Mary Kenyon -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
Helen Kennedy -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
Mary Ryan -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
Mary Field -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
Marg ^t M ^e Inalty -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
Mary Ann Dunn -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
Elizabeth Godfrey -	D ^o - - D ^o - - D ^o - - - - -	5	5	—	
					47 5 —
William Eames -	Part of £. 30 premium for taking Jos ^h Nichols } apprentice for 5 years to learn Music having } totally lost his sight in the Asylum - - }	20	—	—	
Thomas Turner -	Attorney's Bill for making Jos ^h Nichols Inden- } tures - - - - - }	2	11	2	
Thomas Preston -	Piano Forte and case for Jos ^h Nichols - - -	10	10	—	
Robert Russel -	Carriage of D ^o - D ^o - from London to Exeter -	1	10	8	
					34 11 10
James Rogers -	Librarian to the Children's Library; from 25th } Dec. 1810 to 24th March 1811 - - }	—	13	—	
James Rogers -	D ^o - - D ^o - 25th March to 24th June 1811 -	—	13	—	
James Rogers -	D ^o - - D ^o - 25th June to 24th Sept. - D ^o - -	—	13	—	
James Rogers -	D ^o - - D ^o - 25th Sept to 24th Dec. - D ^o - -	—	13	—	
Theresa M. Haggerman	Pocket Money from 25th Dec. 1810 to 24th } March 1811 - - - - - }	—	6	6	
Theresa M. Haggerman	- - D ^o - 25th March to 24th June D ^o - - -	—	6	6	
Theresa M. Haggerman	- - D ^o - 25th June to 24th Sept - D ^o - - -	—	6	6	
Theresa M. Haggerman	- - D ^o - 25th Sept. to 24th Dec. - D ^o - - -	—	6	6	
Johauna Kenney -	Pocket Money (by order of Committee 20th } Nov. 1811) from 25th Sept. to 24th Dec. - }	—	6	6	
					4 4 6
W ^m Fulcher (Porter)	Gingerbread & Cakes for the Children (by } order of the Board 30th May 1811) - - }	5	2	11	
John Brett for the } Paymaster of Hilsea } Depôt - - - }	{ Carriage, &c. of three Orphans, viz. John and } Mary Garrett of the 55th Regiment from } Hilsea to London £. 1 14 s. and 8 s. 8 d. for } conveying Henry Johnstone 21st. Light } Dragoons from Hilsea to the Isle of Wight - }	2	2	8	
Alex ^r Stewart, Serj ^t -	Expenses in bringing the above John and Mary } Garrett to Chelsea - - - - - }	—	10	6	
Alex ^r Hodgins, S. M.	Repairing the school books of the Institution -	3	—	—	
William Wise -	Dung for ground in front of the Building -	7	4	—	
Abstract of Bills -	Books for the Childrens Library - - - - -	5	2	6	
Abstract of Bills -	Toys and Playthings for the Children - - -	22	19	7	
					46 2 2
					135 4 9
	Balance in the hands of the Commandant, 25 Dec. 1811 -				58 19 6½
		£.			194 4 3

Committee, 22d January 1812. }
Examined, and found correct. }
(Signed) M. Lewis,
Harry Burrard, Lieu^t Gen^l.
John Owen, Chapⁿ Gen^l.

(Signed) GEORGE WILLIAMSON,
Commandant.

- - - No. 28.

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Colonel Williamson, Commandant, on account of the separate Fund,
ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM; from 25th Dec. 1810 to 24th Dec. 1811, inclusive.

	On what Account received.	Amount.		
		£.	s.	d.
From 25th Dec. 1810, to 24th June 1811.	By the Balance of last Account - - -	£.	s.	d.
		-	-	-
	By 1,119 lbs. of Kitchen-stuff, at 4d. per lb. -	18	13	—
	- 381 lbs. of Offal Suet, at 4d. per lb. -	6	7	—
	- 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 23 lbs. of old (Woollen) Rags, } at 6s. per cwt. - - - - - }	4	14	2
	- 12 lbs. of Linen Cloth Cuttings, at 6d. } per lb. - - - - - }	—	6	—
	- 303 lbs. of old Frocks and Trowsers, at 1d. } per lb. - - - - - }	1	5	3
	- 60 lbs. of old White Rags, at 6d. per lb. -	1	10	—
	- 3 qrs. 8 lbs. of old Blankets and Rugs, at } 6s. per cwt. - - - - - }	—	5	—
	- 26 lbs. of old Copy Books, at 4d. per lb. -	1	8	8
	- 183 Days Wash, at 1s. per diem, from 25th } Dec. 1810 to 24th June 1811 - }	9	3	—
	- Dust, Ashes, Bones, &c. at the rate of } £.6. 10s. per annum, from D° - - D° - - }	3	5	—
	- Produce of the Grass from the Ground in } front of the Building - - - - }	7	7	—
From 25th June to 24th Dec. 1811.		54 4 1		
	By 935 lbs. of Kitchen-stuff, from 25th June to } 24th Sept. 1811, at 3d. per lb. - }	11	13	0
	- 224 lbs. of Offal Suet, D° - - D° - - at } 3d. D° - - - - - }	2	16	—
	- 954 lbs. of Kitchen-stuff, from 25th Sept. } to 24th Dec. 1811, at 3½d. per lb. - }	13	18	3
	- 209 lbs. of Offal Suet, from 25th Sept. to } 24th Dec. 1811, at 3½d. per lb. - }	3	—	11½
	- 140½ lbs. of White Rags, from 25th June } to 24th D° - - at 7½d. D° - - - }	4	1	11½
	- 7 lbs. of Check D° - - D° - - D° - - at } 1d. D° - - - - - }	—	—	7
	- 7 lbs. of Brown Linen Rags, D° - - D° - - } at 3d. D° - - - - - }	—	1	9
	- 17 cwt. 7 lbs. of Tailors Rags, D° - - D° - - } at 6s. per cwt. - - - - - }	5	2	6
	- 109 lbs. of old Copy Books, D° - - D° - - } at 4d. per lb. - - - - - }	1	16	4
	- 182 Days Wash, at 1s. per diem, D° - - } D° - - - - - }	—	9	2
	- Dust (Ashes, Bones, &c.) at the rate of } £. 10. per annum D° - - D° - - }	5	—	—
		56 14 1		
		£. 194 4 3½		

Board, 22d January 1812.

Examined and approved,

(Signed) John Lugard,
Adj^t Sec^y.

(Signed) D. Dundas, General.
Adolphus Frederick, General.
Harry Calvert, Adj^t Gen^l.
J. W. Gordon, Q. M. Gen^l.
J. Brown, D^y Q. M. Gen^l.

Appendix - - -

STATEMENT of DISBURSEMENTS and RECEIPTS of Charles Greenwood, Esq. as Treasurer of
and shewing the general Balance agreeably to the Accounts and

Year.	Payment for the purchase of the Ground, &c. in 1800. Bal. of Accounts as stated by Lieut. Gen. De Lancey, Bar ^k Mas ^r Gen ^l in 1803.	Expenses of erecting and fitting up the Royal Military Asylum.	Contingent Disbursements, chiefly prior to the regular Establishment.	Net Payments to Lieut. Col. Williamson, Commandant, for Pay, Salaries, and various general Expenses, from the commencement of the regular Establishment.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1801.	- - -	- - - - -	13,600. Copland	- - - - -
1802.	- - -	- - - - -	21,400. D ^o	- - - - -
1803.	4,687 8 2	23,000 — — Copland 110 5 — Boyd 415 5 — Ball 1,874 — — Oswald	- - - - - 25,399 10 —	114 1 11 Cuppage 50 12 6 Insurance 10 12 — ground rent 175 6 5
1804.	- - -	11,000 — — Copland 1,382 19 — Oswald 36 15 — Boyd 40 — — Robinson 450 5 — Ball	- - - - - 12,909 19 —	253 6 3 Fuel 1,121 9 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to Dec ^r 1803, omitted before. 983 17 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ 210 — — Treasurer
1805.	- - -	13,000 — — Copland 24 18 7 Robinson 168 15 — Boyd 422 3 2 Ball	- - - - - 13,615 16 9	19 17 — Rent 9 — — Mrs. Sharpe 28 17 —
1806.	- - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	16,041 8 8 300 — — Treasurer
1807.	- - -	- - - - -	315. Rossi	9 11 — Rent 16,622 11 3 300 — — Treasurer
1808.	- - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	16 11 — Rent 18,461 18 — 300 — — Treasurer
1809.	- - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	9 9 — Rent 20,519 9 11 300 — — Treasurer
1810.	Leases, &c. of Houses in Garden Row for an Hospital 639 15 —	6,716 18 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Copland 802 9 1 Hospital 2,211 7 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ Architects 7 10 — Boyd	- - - - - 9,738 5 1 $\frac{1}{4}$	9 9 — Rent 23,494 12 — 300 — — Treasurer
1811 to 24th June.	- - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	11,900 — — 150 — — Treasurer
£.	5,327 3 2	£.	96,978 10 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	12,050 — —
		Mr. Copland - -	88,716 18 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	
		Miscellaneous - -	8,261 12 7 $\frac{3}{4}$	
		£.	96,978 10 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	

Craig's Court, }
28th August 1811. }

- - - No. 29.

the ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM, from the commencement in 1801, to the 24th of June 1811; distinguishing each year; Vouchers rendered to the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts.

Expenses of the Infant Establishment at the Isle of Wight, and for the New Building at Parkhurst.		Treasury Fees for annual or other Grants, for the Royal Military Asylum.	Total Expenditure for the Year.	Year.	Receipts by the Treasurer from the Exchequer, including trifling Sums for Rent, &c.	Balance in hand carried forward to every subsequent Account, as delivered to the Auditors.
£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		£. s. d.	£. s. d.
- - -	- - -	17 3 —	13,617 3 —	1801.	15,599 2 —	
- - -	- - -	8 1 —	21,923 13 3½	1802.	21,448 16 —	
- - -	- - -	9 2 —	31,114 15 3	1803.	31,588 — —	
- - -	- - -	- - -	66,655 11 6½		£. s. d. 68,635 18 —	1,980 6 5½
- - -	- - -	9 2 —	24,336 14 7¾	1804.	N. B. The first Account, as rendered to the Auditors, included the whole of the Receipts and Disbursements to 24th December 1803, not having been divided into yearly Statements to that time. By Balance as above £. s. d. 1,980 6 5½ Receipts - - 26,333 3 10 28,313 10 3½	3,976 15 7¾
- - -	632 13 5	9 7 —	31,328 14 6	1805.	By Balance as above 3,976 15 7 reject ^s the frac ⁿ Receipts - - 27,906 4 — 31,882 19 7	554 5 1
- - -	861 17 7	- - -	17,203 6 3	1806.	By Balance as above 554 5 1 Receipts - - 17,590 2 8 18,144 7 9	941 1 6 in hand at the Bank
- - -	798 7 8	9 7 —	18,054 16 11	1807.	By Balance as above 941 1 6 Receipts - - 17,361 17 5 18,302 18 11	248 2 — D ^o
- - -	754 14 10	- - -	19,533 3 10	1808.	By Balance as above 248 2 — Receipts - - 20,318 5 10½ 21,066 7 10½	1,533 4 —½ D ^o
- - -	837 1 7¼	- - -	21,666 — 6¼	1809.	By Balance as above 1,533 4 —½ Receipts - - 21,429 1 5 22,962 5 5½	1,296 4 11¼ D ^o rejecting
853 13 —¾ 1,600 — —	Knyvett Reid	8 6 —	36,644 — 2	1810.	By Balance as above 1,296 4 11 Receipts - - 36,525 — 4 37,821 5 3	1,177 5 1
	2,453 13 —¾				Given in to the Auditors to 24th December 1810, only being Annual Accounts,	
382 1 — 2,400 — —	Knyvett Reid	8 6 —	14,840 7 —	1811. to 24 June.	By Balance as above 1,177 5 1 Receipts - - 15,181 9 8 16,358 14 9	1,518 7 9 D ^o

(Signed) Cha' Greenwood.
(Errors excepted)

Appendix, No. 30.

STATEMENT, shewing the TOTAL COST in erecting and fitting up the
ROYAL MILITARY ASYLUM.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Purchase of the Ground, &c. in 1800, repaid to the Barrack Office - - - - -	4,687	8	2			
Paid to Alexander Copland, the Builder - - -	88,716	18	2 $\frac{1}{2}$			
- - for fitting up Furniture, &c. - - -	6,806	—	11 $\frac{1}{2}$			
- - to Surveyors, for measuring, &c. during the progress of the works - - -	323	5	—	100,210	7	4
- - Architect's Commission of £. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. on amount of Copland's accounts as finally settled	2,211	7	9 $\frac{3}{4}$			
- for surrender of Leases, Fixtures, &c. of seven houses in Garden Row, for a new Infirmary -	639	15	—	2,534	12	9 $\frac{3}{4}$
- - Repairs, Fittings, Furniture, &c. - - -	802	9	1			
				1,442	4	1
	£.			104,187	4	2 $\frac{3}{4}$

By Order of the Commissioners,

(Signed) *John Lugard,*
Adj^t & Sec^y.

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